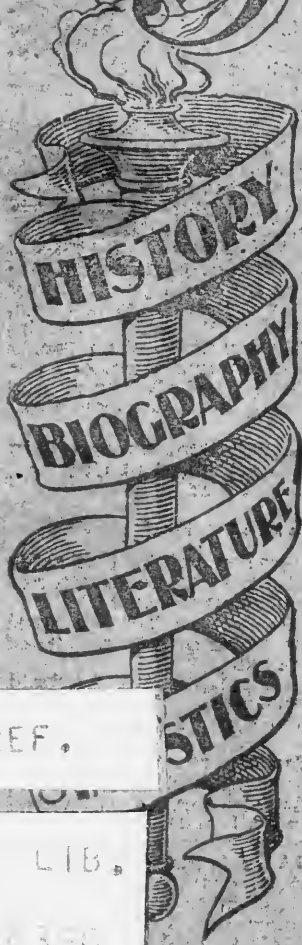


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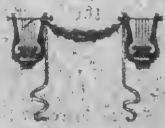
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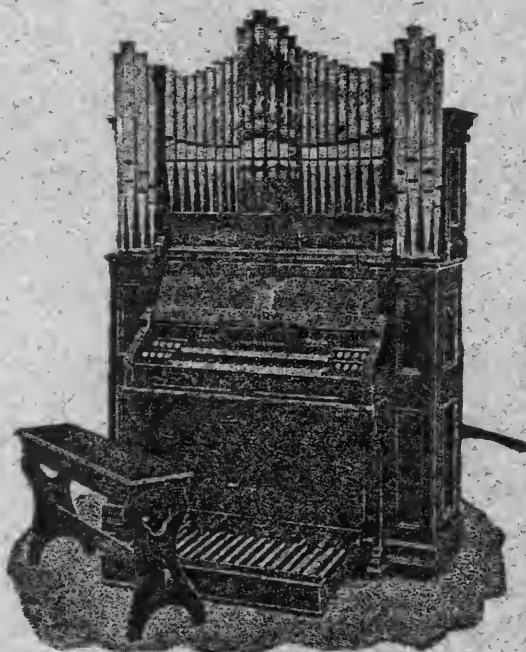
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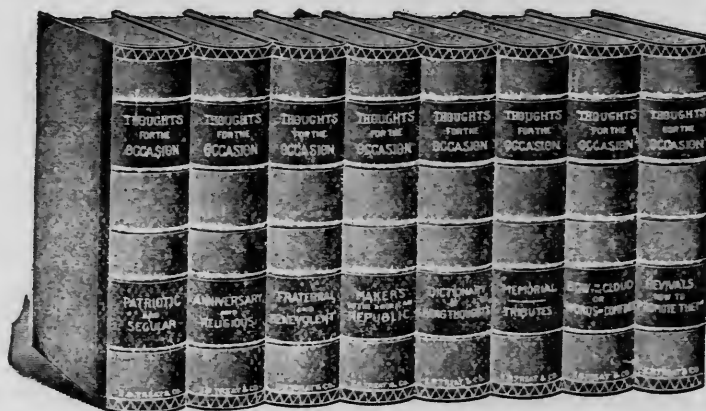
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Another year of mercies,
Of faithfulness and grace;
Another year of gladness
In the shining of Thy face.
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Another year of praise,
Another year of proving
Thy presence all the days.
Another year of service,
Of witness for thy love;
Another year of training
For holier work above.
Another year is dawning,
Dear Master, let it be,
On earth or else in heaven
Another year for Thee.

—*Frances Ridley Havergal.*



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The Handbook is not a collection of dry-as-dust clippings. There are clippings, but they bear on some vital theme. The Handbook is not an array of dull statistics. Statistics there are—full and exhaustive, but they are such as interest the intelligent Methodist. The Handbook is not only a reference book containing an answer to almost every question pertaining to Southern Methodism, but a book containing valuable historical, biographical and general articles relating to the life of Methodism. It is a book for the fire-side as well as for the desk; a book for the layman as well as for the preacher.

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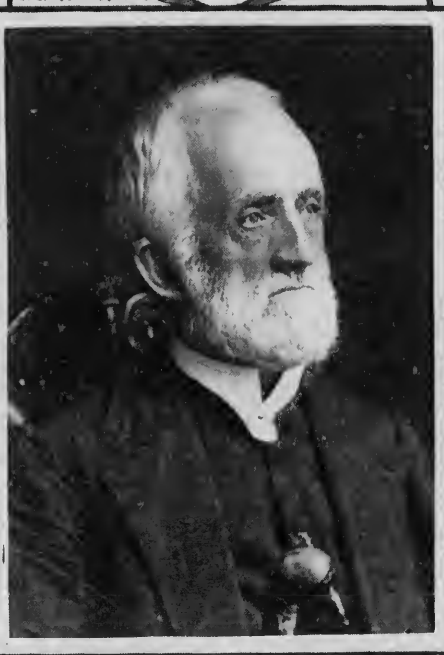
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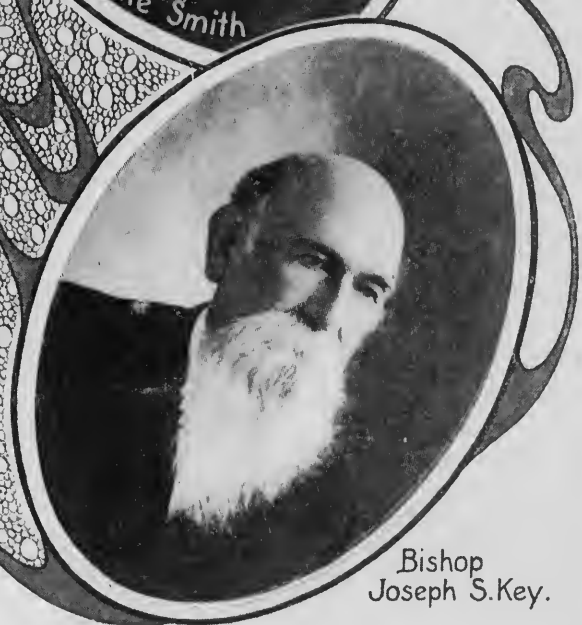
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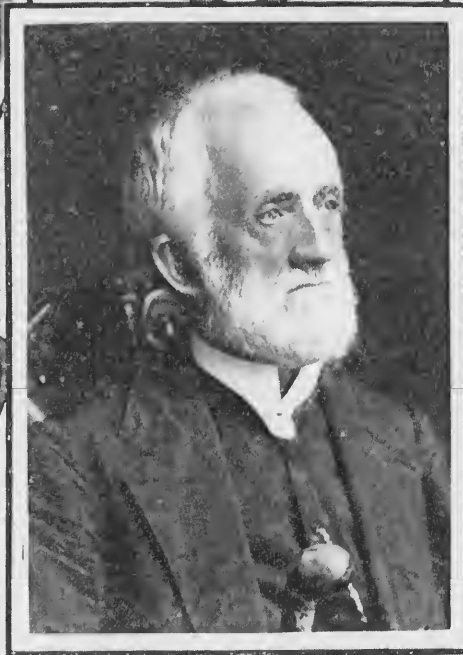
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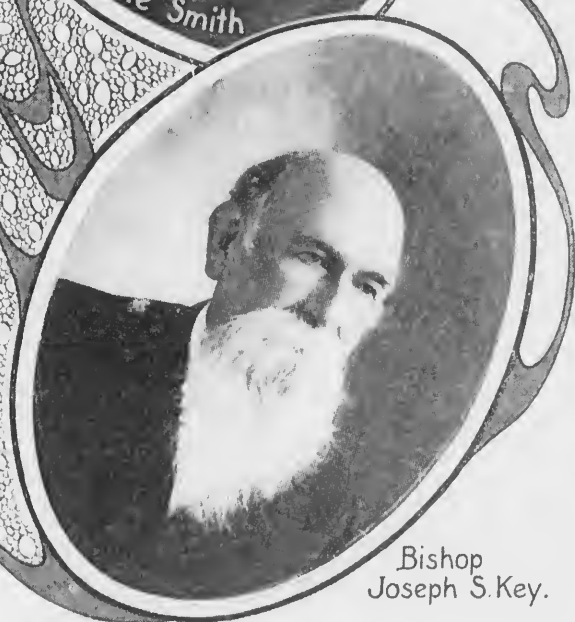
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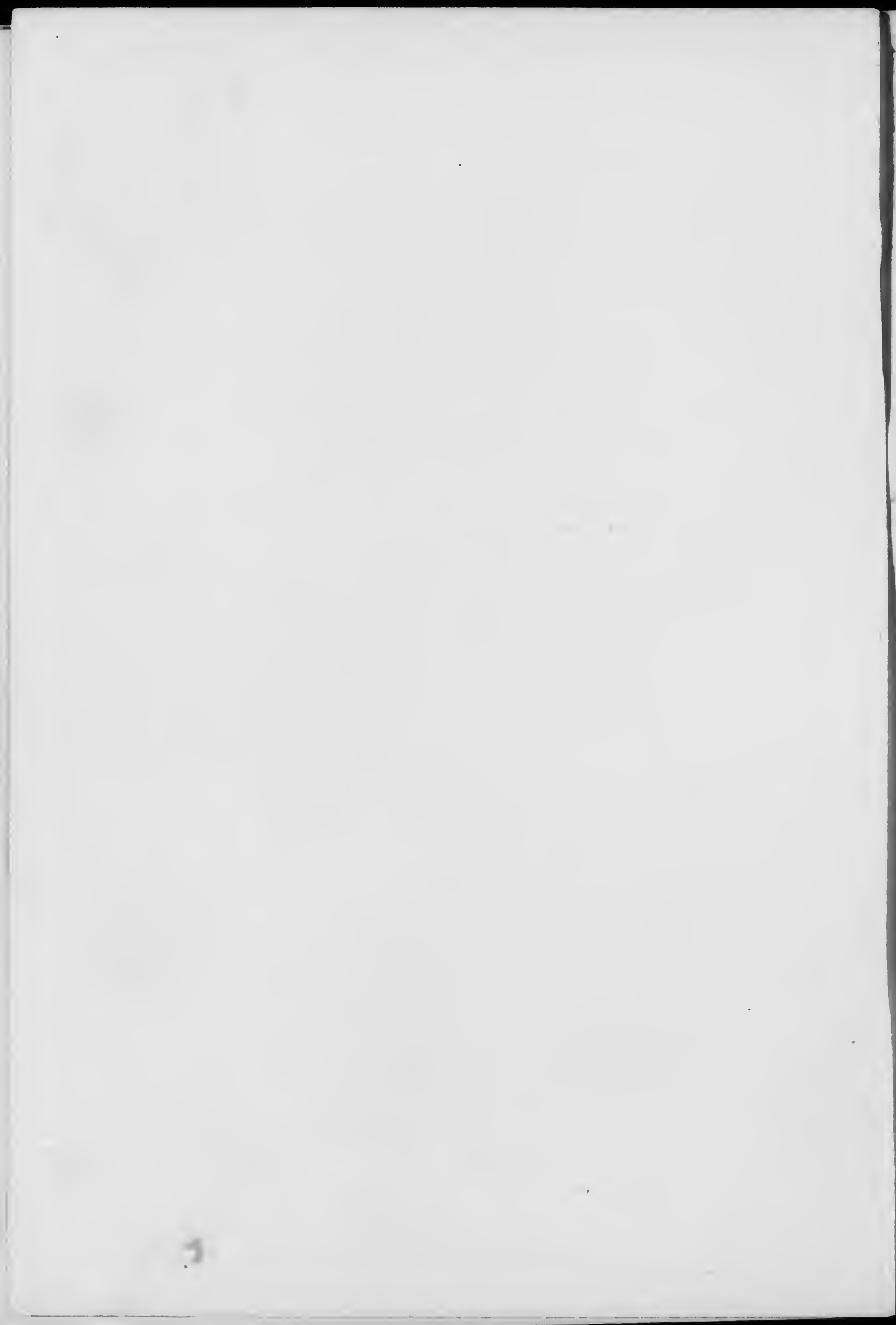
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THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

THE YEAR 1905.

God continues to bless His church. In summing up the facts and figures of the year just closed we find this statement amply justified.

All conditions seemed favorable for a prosperous year. No important political elections excited our people. No great calamities overtook us. Glad harvests awaited the laborers' toil. Peace reigned throughout the country.

At the beginning of the year 1905, the first warm breaths of the great Welsh revival were beginning to touch the hearts of our people. New desires for a great work of grace on this side of the water sprang up in thousands of hearts. The expectancy of a general revival among all churches in this land was universal. The fires began to burn. Many congregations in Southern Methodism enjoyed heart-searching and fruitful revivals.

That our Zion has "travailed and brought forth children" during last year is proven by the phenomenal gain in membership. January, 1905, opened with 1,518,232 names on our church rolls. January, 1906, opened with 1,613,309 (local preachers not counted) names on our church rolls, showing the net gain in membership for the year to be 38,646. Surely this is encouraging. We present the figures for the quadrennium:

1902.—Members	1,518,232	Net gain....	12,991
1903.—Members	1,549,449	Net gain....	31,635
1904.—Members	1,574,663	Net gain....	25,214
1905.—Members	1,613,309	Net gain....	38,646

Total gain for quadrennium.....108,068

From the figures indicating the membership for 1905 are taken the figures representing the membership of the Central Mexico Mission, the Cuban Mission, the Mexican Border

Mission, and the Northwest Mexican Mission which were included in the tabulation for 1904. If we were to add the gain for these Conferences, which are to be held early in 1906, the gain for 1905 would be considerably greater.

It should be stated, too, that there was no session of the Louisiana Conference during the year 1905. Consequently, we had to use the figures of this Conference for 1904.

The figures show that we have 14,850 Sunday-schools and 18,493 Societies. This indicates that we have over three thousand Societies which have no Sunday-school. The disparity reproaches us. We have 1,039,785 Sunday-school scholars, and 1,613,309 members. Here is another reproachful disparity. Not until we have a Sunday-school for every Society, and in that Sunday-school, as many scholars as there are members of the Society, may we as a church feel that we are using to the fullest advantage Christ's great recruiting ground. However, there was at the close of 1905 a gain of 215 in the number of Sunday-schools and a gain of 37,210 in the number of Sunday-school scholars. It is refreshing to note that the Sunday-schools raised \$417,423.10 during the year. Since we have 1,039,785 scholars, the average paid per scholar, not counting officers and teachers, is a little over forty cents.

We feel sure that every Southern Methodist will study with deep interest our Orphanage, Hospital, and Superannuate Home statistics. These show that the heart of our Methodism is sympathetic and is reaching out after the weak, the poor, and the unfortunate. The Orphanage is an institution which is appealing tenderly to our people. We have twelve Orphanages aggregating in value the sum of \$696,500. We have six Hospitals—five in foreign fields. The only Hospital we have at home is the Wesley Memorial in Atlanta, Ga. May it prove the forerunner of numerous hospitals throughout the Connection.

The North Alabama Conference did a great thing for Southern Methodism in leading the movement for making adequate provision for our superannuated preachers and other Conference claimants. The Alabama, Mississippi, and Texas Conferences have made an excellent start. The Homes which

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Add to S. C. "PRESIDING ELDERS": R. E. Stackhouse, Rock Hill, S. C.; J. W. Kilgo, Spartanburg, S. C.; H. B. Browne, Sumpter, S. C.

For J. O. A. "Clark," of South Georgia Conference, J. O. A. Cook.

"In Annual Conference Secretaries," the post-office address of Rev. Paul Whitehead should be Norfolk, Va.; of Rev. A. F. Watkins, Jackson, Miss.

Among the "Delegates to the General Conference": A. W. "Fairs" should be A. W. Farris, G. H. "Batts," Bates.

these Conferences have established have property valued at \$70,343. Rev. John R. Stewart, Secretary and Treasurer of the Superannuates' Fund, makes an excellent report, and should certainly receive the hearty support of Southern Methodists.

That a wave of the church and parsonage building fever is sweeping through the Connection is shown by the fact that the sum of \$2,267,643 was spent on churches and parsonages during the year, and that the year's gain in value of churches and parsonages aggregates \$2,641,215. The total valuation of all church property, not including that of the Woman's Societies, is \$50,464,664.

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Alternates: Clerical, J. L. Bruce.

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Lay: J. W. Kemper.

Alternates: Clerical, S. B. Tabor; lay, Z. B. D. Le Filner.

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Lay: Geo. W. Bain, W. W. Ball, C. H. Duty.

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Lay: John W. Vaughn, P. E. Genoway, A. R. Bird.

Alternates: Clerical, W. R. Mays; lay, D. E. Grogeau.

New Mexico.—Clerical: J. F. French.

- Lay: J. E. Swepston.
 Alternates: Clerical, W. E. Foulks; lay, J. H. Harper.
 Louisville.—Clerical: J. J. Tigert, W. F. Lloyd, F. M. Thomas, Gross Alexander.
 Lay: J. L. Wheat, H. Wirgman, L. P. Little, M. O. Hughes.
 Alternates: Clerical, R. W. Browder, J. T. Rushing; lay, W. C. Keene, E. P. Bell.
 Columbia.—Clerical: C. L. McCausland.
 Lay: W. L. Cobb.
 Alternates: Clerical, E. H. Mowre; lay, V. P. Moses.
 Pacific.—Clerical: J. J. N. Kenney, J. E. Moore.
 Lay: G. V. Northey, James Sutherland.
 Alternates: Clerical, Mark Hodgson; lay, B. Campbell.
 China Mission.—Clerical: Young J. Allen.
 Holston.—Clerical: J. A. Burrow, R. G. Waterhouse, F. Richardson, S. D. Long, J. W. Perry.
 Lay: G. R. Stuart, W. P. Dungan, J. W. Saylor, J. W. Penn, J. M. Cantrell.
 Alternates: Clerical, D. Sullins, R. N. Price, Eugene Blake; lay, H. G. Peters, J. B. Peery.
 Los Angeles.—Clerical: E. P. Ryland.
 Lay: J. B. Glover.
 Alternates: Clerical, R. P. Howell; lay, H. A. Hughes.
 Tennessee.—Clerical: W. F. Tillett, J. T. Curry, H. B. Reams, W. R. Lambuth, E. B. Chappell.
 Lay: J. W. Irwin, J. H. Kirkland, J. D. Pullin, L. K. Hart, R. P. McLain.
 Alternates: Clerical, J. W. Collier, T. A. Kerley; lay, J. B. Morgan, J. L. Parkes, E. T. Sweeney.
 Western North Carolina.—Clerical: James Atkins, Jas. H. Weaver, Samuel B. Turentine, Geo. H. Detwiler, H. M. Blair, J. R. Scroggs.
 Lay: C. H. Ireland, J. S. Martin, J. L. Nelson, W. R. Odell, W. G. Bradshaw, G. H. Hackney.
 Virginia.—Clerical: Paul Whitehead, James Cannon, Jr., B. F. Lipscomb, J. C. Reed, W. J. Young, R. T. Wilson, R. H. Bennett.
 Lay: J. W. Grandy, E. G. Mosley, W. W. Smith, John P. Branch, P. E. Hines, R. E. Blackwell, T. J. Barham.
 Alternates: Clerical, W. G. Starr, J. T. Mastin, J. T. Whitley, Frank Talbot, Augustus Wright, G. I. Hunt.
 Indian Mission.—Clerical: W. J. Sims, J. S. Lamar, T. F. Brewer, N. L. Linebaugh, C. M. Coppedge.
 Lay: A. S. McKennon, J. S. Jackson, J. M. Doss, D. R. Rankin, W. G. Ditzler.
 West Texas.—Clerical: J. D. Scott, W. J. Johnson, Sterling Fisher.

Lay: V. M. West, J. E. Pritchett.

Alternates: Clerical, J. M. Alexander, J. W. Stovall.

N. W. Texas.—Clerical: J. R. Nelson, J. M. Barcus, W. L. Nelms, O. F. Sensabaugh, B. R. Bolton, J. G. Putman, H. A. Boaz.

Lay: R. S. Hyer, J. K. Parr, W. E. Williams, N. G. Rollands, S. W. Scott, J. D. McCowan.

Alternates: Clerical, James Campbell, J. R. Morris, Jerome Duncan.

Memphis.—Clerical: R. H. Mahon, J. H. Stevenson, G. W. Wilson, W. E. Thompson.

Lay: J. R. Pepper, J. T. Peeler, T. B. King, B. H. Scott.

North Georgia.—Clerical: W. F. Glenn, J. H. Eakes, J. D. Hammond, B. P. Allen, J. W. Heidt, J. B. Robins.

Lay: G. M. Napier, W. G. Post, E. W. Martin, J. D. Walker, J. W. Bale, J. T. Duncan.

North Alabama.—Clerical: H. C. Howard, S. L. Dobbs, J. H. McCoy, J. D. Simpson, F. P. Culver.

Lay: J. B. Wadsworth, T. C. Banks, N. M. Rowe, E. J. Garrison, Rev. M. K. Clements.

Arkansas.—Clerical: J. A. Anderson, F. S. H. Johnson.

Lay: J. M. Jenkins, C. E. Wilson.

North Carolina.—Clerical: J. C. Kilgo, T. N. Ivey, J. D. Pegram, J. N. Cole.

Lay: J. G. Brown, T. J. Jarvis, Henry Page, J. F. Bruton.

Alternates: Clerical, F. D. Swindell, J. T. Gibbs.

North Texas.—Clerical: J. H. McLean, J. W. Hill, G. C. Rankin, I. T. Morris, J. M. Moore.

Lay: C. H. Morris, P. C. Thurmond, L. Blaylock, R. C. Dial, Sidney Bass.

Alternates: Clerical, J. M. Peterson, E. N. Alderson; lay, J. H. Matthews, W. C. Everett.

South Georgia.—Clerical: W. C. Lovett, W. N. Ainsworth, J. B. McGehee, B. Anthony, J. H. Scruggs.

Lay: J. L. Day, W. B. Stubbs, S. Hardeman, S. A. Bush, Rev. M. C. Austin.

Little Rock.—Clerical: Jno. E. Godbey, T. H. Ware, James Thomas.

Lay: C. C. Henderson, W. C. Ratcliffe, W. K. Ramsey.

Texas.—Clerical: Seth Ward, Sam R. Hay, James W. Downs, E. W. Solomon, J. T. Smith.

Lay: T. S. Garrison, Cone Johnson, D. H. Abernethy, H. C. Pritchett, L. I. Jester.

Alabama.—Clerical: A. J. Lamar, J. S. Frazer, A. L. Andrew, J. M. Mason.

Lay: W. H. Sanford, A. Sissoms, R. O. Simpson, J. A. Wilkerson.

White River.—Clerical: W. C. Davidson, Z. T. Bennett.
 Lay: Ransom Gulley, A. G. Henderson.
 North Mississippi.—Clerical: W. B. Murrah, J. W. Boswell,
 T. W. Lewis, W. S. Lagrove.
 Lay: J. R. Bingham, F. A. Critz, G. D. Shands, G. J. Left-
 wich.
 Florida.—Clerical: L. W. Moore, J. P. Hilbrun, T. J.
 Nixon.
 Lay: G. B. Glover, W. M. Boswell, J. W. Knight.
 South Carolina.—Clerical: E. O. Watson, J. W. Daniel,
 J. O. Willson, M. L. Carlisle, R. A. Child, J. A. Clifton.
 Lay: J. A. McCullough, H. N. Snyder, G. H. Batts, F. H.
 Hyatt, J. W. Howell, P. A. Hodges.
 Mississippi.—Clerical: A. F. Watkins, H. M. DuBose, T. W.
 Adams, J. M. Morse.
 Lay: R. W. Millsaps, E. J. Bomers, H. B. McGhee, E. A.
 Enochs.

NOTE.

At the time of going to press the following Conferences have not yet elected their delegates: Cuban Mission, Mexican Border Mission, General Mexico, N. W. Mexican Mission, Baltimore and Louisiana.

MISSIONARY DIRECTORY.

CHINA.

Rev. Y. J. Allen, D. D., North Georgia, Shanghai, China,
 Rev. D. L. Anderson, D. D., North Georgia, Soochow, China.
 Rev. A. C. Bowen, Alabama, Sung-Kiang, China.
 W. W. Brockman, North Georgia, Soochow China.
 Rev. W. B. Burke, South Georgia, Soochow China.
 Rev. J. W. Cline, Little Rock, Shanghai, China.
 Rev. J. B. Fearn, M. D., Mississippi, Huchow, China.
 Prof. N. Gist Gee, South Carolina, Soochow, China.
 Rev. John C. Hawk, Holston, Chang-Chow, China.
 A. G. Hearn, M. D., Little Rock, Suchow, China.
 Rev. T. A. Hearn, Little Rock, Hoochow, China.
 Rev. J. L. Hendry, Texas, Hoochow, China.
 Rev. George R. Loehr, North Georgia, Shanghai, China.
 Rev. B. D. Lucas, South Carolina, Soochow, China.
 Rev. W. B. Nance, Tennessee, Soochow, China.
 W. H. Park, M. D., North Georgia, Soochow, China.
 Rev. A. P. Parker, D. D., Missouri, Shanghai, China.
 Rev. R. A. Parker, Western, Chang-Chow, China.
 Rev. E. Pilley, Northwest Texas, Greenville, Ky.

Rev. H. T. Reed, Louisville, Greenville, Ky.
R. D. Smart, Virginia, Soochow, China.
Rev. Joseph Whiteside, North Alabama, Shanghai, China.

KOREA.

Rev. C. T. Collyer, Tennessee, Songdo, Korea.
Rev. W. G. Cram, Kentucky, Songdo, Korea.
Rev. J. L. Gerdine, South Georgia, Wonsan, Korea.
Rev. R. A. Hardie, M. D., Canada, Wonsan, Korea.
Rev. C. G. Hounshell, Holston, Seoul, Korea.
Rev. J. R. Moose, Western North Carolina, Seoul, Korea.
J. B. Ross, M. D., Kentucky, Wonsan, Korea.
Rev. A. W. Wasson, Arkansas, Seoul, Korea.
Rev. J. C. Robertson, M. D., Pacific, Songdo, Korea.

JAPAN.

Miss Maud Bonnell, Indian Mission, Kobe, Japan.
Rev. W. J. Callahan, North Georgia, Yamaguchi, Japan.
Miss Margaret M. Cook, Tennessee, Hiroshima, Japan.
Rev. William Court, St. Louis, Nashville, Tenn.
Rev. W. A. Davis, Missouri, Kyoto, Japan.
Rev. T. W. B. Demaree, Kentucky, Matsuyama, Japan.
Miss N. B. Caines, Florida, Hiroshima, Japan.
Miss M. V. Garner, Arkansas, Kobe, Japan.
Rev. T. H. Haden, Virginia, Hiroshima, Japan.
Rev. S. E. Hager, Kentucky, Kobe, Japan.
Mrs. F. C. Macaulay, Louisville, Hiroshima, Japan.
Rev. W. K. Matthews, Tennessee, Kobe, Japan.
Rev. J. T. Meyers, Baltimore, Hiroshima, Japan.
Rev. C. B. Moseley, Arkansas, Little Rock, Ark.
Rev. J. C. C. Newton, Virginia, Kobe, Japan.
Miss Ida L. Shannon, Tennessee, Hiroshima, Japan.
Rev. W. E. Towson, Pacific, Kobe, Japan.
Rev. W. P. Turner, North Georgia, Uwajima, Japan.
Rev. S. H. Wainright, M. D., Missouri, Kobe, Japan.
Rev. B. W. Waters, Baltimore, Nakatsu, Japan.
Rev. W. R. Weakley, Missouri, Osaka, Japan.
Miss Eva Williams, Virginia, Blackstone, Va.
Rev. W. A. Wilson, Western North Carolina, Oita, Japan.
Miss Ida M. Worth, St. Louis, Kobe Japan.
Miss Nina Lou Blount, North Georgia, Uwajima, Japan.

BRAZIL.

Rev. J. L. Bruce, Virginia, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.
Rev. E. B. Crooks, St. Louis, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
Rev. M. Dickie, Virginia, Piracicaba, Brazil.
Rev. J. M. Hamilton, Brazil, Batataes, Brazil.

- Rev. E. E. Joyner, Louisville, Uruguyana, Brazil.
 Rev. J. L. Kennedy, Holston, Knoxville, Tenn.
 Rev. J. M. Lander, South Carolina, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.
 Rev. W. B. Lee, North Carolina, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.
 Rev. G. D. Parker, Louisiana, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
 Rev. J. W. Price, Brazil, Santa Maria, Brazil.
 Rev. C. L. Smith, South Carolina, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
 Rev. J. W. Tarboux, South Carolina, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.
 Rev. J. M. Terrell, Western North Carolina, Porto Alegre, Brazil.
 Rev. E. A. Tilley, Holston, Bello Horizonte, Brazil.
 Rev. H. C. Tucker, Tennessee, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
 Rev. J. W. Wolling, South Carolina, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

MEXICO.

- Prof. F. C. Campbell, Virginia, Monterey, Mexico.
 Rev. P. L. Cobb, Holston, Mexico City, Mexico.
 Rev. J. F. Corbin, West Texas, Torean, Mexico.
 Rev. J. B. Cox, West Texas, Mexico City, Mexico.
 Rev. R. C. Elliott, West Texas, Nogales, Ariz.
 Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald, Western North Carolina, Chihuahua, Mexico.
 Rev. H. L. Gray, North Georgia, San Antonio, Texas.
 Rev. J. W. Grimes, Memphis, Cuautla, Mexico.
 C. B. Hanson, M. D., Tennessee, Monterey, Mexico.
 Rev. A. V. Harbin, Pacific, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.
 Rev. D. H. Hotchkiss, Texas, Monterey, Mexico.
 Rev. W. D. King, Monterey, Mexico.
 Rev. A. Marston, New Mexico, El Paso, Texas.
 Rev. F. S. Onderdonk, West Texas, Guadalajara, Mexico.
 Rev. J. A. Phillips, West Texas, San Antonio, Texas.
 Rev. Laurence Reynolds, North Texas, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.
 Rev. R. E. Tyler, North Alabama, Durango, Mexico.
 Rev. L. A. Humphreys, Texas, Nogales, Arizona.

CUBA.

- Rev. H. W. Baker, Florida, Havana, Cuba.
 Rev. H. B. Bardwell, South Georgia, Guantanamo, Cuba.
 Rev. D. W. Carter, D. D., Holston, Havana, Cuba.
 Rev. E. E. Clements, South Georgia, Havana, Cuba.
 Rev. W. G. Fletcher, Florida, Santiago de Cuba, Cuba.
 Rev. B. F. Gilbert, Tennessee, Camaguey, Cuba.
 Rev. C. H. Greer, Kentucky, Pinar del Rio, Cuba.
 Rev. J. P. Lancaster, North Alabama, La Gloria, Cuba.
 Rev. S. A. Neblett, Holston, Matanzas, Cuba.
 Rev. W. E. Sewell, Arkansas, Santa Clara, Cuba.

TRAVELING PREACHERS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR.

Brazil Conference.—Guilherme R. da Costa, died September 15, 1904.

Kentucky Conference.—D. P. Ware, born July 23, 1857; died December 15, 1904. Morris Evans, died January 17, 1905. W. H. H. Dietzler, born May 23, 1841; died June 21, 1905. Geo. S. Savage, born February 2, 1813; died March 27, 1905. W. W. Chamberlin.

Missouri Conference.—Rev. Jesse L. Gilbert, born June 28, 1836; died June 9, 1905. Rev. John F. Shores, born September 4, 1833; died February 6, 1905. Dr. Charles S. McAnally, born April 7, 1841; died August 7, 1905. Rev. William H. Younger, born 1850; died 1905. John Davis Vincil, born August 24, 1830; died October 12, 1904.

Western Virginia Conference.—Rev. S. T. Mallory, born August 17, 1822; died March 31, 1905. Rev. A. P. Sturm, born July 3, 1827; died April 20, 1905.

Illinois Conference.—I. H. Lewis, born January 22, 1851; died July 9, 1905. A. F. Rogers, born October 12, 1812; died January 3, 1905.

S. W. Missouri Conference.—William J. Brown, born, August 9, 1814; died January 1, 1905. L. W. Pearce, born July 29, 1839; died January 1, 1905.

St. Louis Conference.—G. W. Hull, born October 25, 1836; died October 29, 1904. H. B. Cockrill, died October 22, 1904. John Fletcher Triplett, died September 26, 1904.

New Mexico Conference.—Joseph M. Stevenson.

Louisville Conference.—Phillip T. Hardison, born December 19, 1834; died November 14, 1904. R. Y. Thomas, born December 18, 1825; died January 9, 1905. George M. Everett, born March 17, 1843; died April 23, 1905.

Pacific Conference.—W. J. Mahon, born October 23, 1816; died October 23, 1904. J. C. Hyden, born March 4, 1826; died March 26, 1905.

Virginia Conference.—Robert E. Bentley, born October 22, 1865; died May 12, 1905.

Los Angeles Conference.—C. C. Wright, born 1830; died 1905.

Tennessee Conference.—J. D. Barbee, born March 16, 1832; died December 5, 1904. Lewis Randolph Amis, born December 7, 1856; died December 16, 1904; N. B. S. Owings, born Jan. 8, 1835; died January 14, 1905. William Hary Riggan, born January 15, 1829; died December 24, 1904. William D. Cherry, born December 5, 1837; died October 26, 1905.

Western North Carolina Conference.—John W. Bowman, born October 13, 1837; died February 5, 1905. John A. Sronce,

born October 30, 1856; died September 7, 1905. T. L. Triplett, born November 27, 1829; died June 9, 1905.

Holston Conference.—Rush F. Jackson, born September 22, 1849; died February 15, 1905. William Robeson, born June 28, 1822; died May 29, 1905. William P. Doane, born June 2, 1833; died in 1905. J. R. Stradley, born June 15, 1825; died January 17, 1905. William M. Dyer, born June 17, 1857; died in 1905. William H. Bates, born April 16, 1821; died October 6, 1905. Samuel S. Weatherly, born May 28, 1851; died October 5, 1905.

Indian Mission Conference.—John McElhannon, born 1834; died June 29, 1905. T. M. Marr, born 1837; died December, 1904. P. M. White, born 1876; died April 9, 1905. J. F. Bumpas, born 1873; died June 5, 1905.

Western Texas Conference.—F. H. C. Elliott, born July 15, 1859; died August 13, 1905.

N. W. Texas Conference.—T. P. Ray, D. T. Holmes, S. E. Houck, N. M. McLaughlin, Charles Davis, T. W. Rogers.

Memphis Conference.—Benjamin A. Hayes, born April 12, 1818; died December 1, 1904. Dillard M. Evans, born May 9, 1854; died January 20, 1905. Robert W. Nance, born July 24, 1863; died January 16, 1905. Joel B. Knight, born July 18, 1855; died September 23, 1905.

North Georgia Conference.—T. P. Spencer, born April 7, 1857; died December 17, 1904. J. E. Rosser, born June 24, 1852; died May 1, 1905. W. F. Robison, born June 8, 1840; died September 17, 1905. W. F. Quillian, born May 7, 1845; died November 2, 1905.

North Alabama Conference.—Hugh P. Berry, born February 17, 1847; died September 4, 1905. John S. Marks, born December 27, 1831; died December 6, 1904.

North Carolina Conference.—G. A. Oglesby, died January 24, 1905. J. C. Crisp, died in 1905.

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Little Rock Conference.—Alexander M. Avery, born August 11, 1809; died December 19, 1905. Lewis B. Hawley, born November 21, 1845; died November 9, 1905.

Texas Conference.—Thomas W. Blake, born June 6, 1822; died January 14, 1905. John S. Mathis, born February 20, 1830; died March 4, 1905.

Alabama Conference.—W. H. P. Connerly, born August 9, 1835; died March 10, 1905. J. W. Rush, born March 22, 1833; died October 6, 1905. W. A. Tyner, died 1905.

White River Conference.—J. C. Brown, J. M. Talkington, T. C. Settle, D. H. Conyers.



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E.R. Hendrix



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C.B. Galloway



Bishop
W.A. Candler



Bishop
W. Duncan





North Mississippi Conference.—Perry E. Duncan, born November 8, 1863; died February 9, 1905. James A. Leech, born December 5, 1855; died May 22, 1905. W. D. Burroughs, born March 18, 1863; died March 6, 1905. W. R. Rainey, born in 1828; died November 19, 1905.

Florida Conference.—Chas. H. Fulwood, born 1829; died December 7, 1905. James S. Barnett, born 1829; died 1905. Fayette E. Shipp, born 1862; died 1905.

South Carolina Conference.—Jno. M. Carlisle, W. A. Pitts.

Mississippi Conference.—C. D. Cecil, born August 28, 1833; died December 24, 1904. E. F. Edgar, born January 1, 1846; died January 5, 1905. T. W. Brown, born July 8, 1829; died May 31, 1905. B. F. Rayner, born January 27, 1850; died September 3, 1905. L. P. Meador, born April 28, 1835; died March 14, 1905.

Baltimore Conference.—Phillip S. E. Sixeas, died December 23, 1904. Aaron Boon, born December 13, 1833; died December 21, 1904. John C. Sedwick, born January 16, 1842; died April 13, 1904.

THE COMMON HYMNAL.

In accordance with authority given by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Bishops of the respective churches appointed as members of the Joint Commission for the preparation of a common Hymnal the following:

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.—Bishop E. E. Hoss, George B. Winton, H. M. DuBose, W. F. Tillett, Paul Whitehead, John M. Moore, Edwin Mims, H. N. Snyder, F. S. Parker, James Campbell, R. T. Kerlin.

Methodist Episcopal Church.—Bishops D. A. Goodsell, S. F. Upshom, C. M. Stuart, C. M. Coburn, R. J. Cooke, C. S. Nutter, W. A. Quayle, H. G. Jackson, C. W. Smith, C. T. Winchester, J. M. Black.

The Commission finished its labors in the early part of 1905. The Hymnal was published at once. Its hearty reception betokened its popularity. The two Methodisms are now singing the same songs. The spirit of fraternity thus marches onward.

COMMON CATECHISM AND ORDER OF WORSHIP.

The Joint Commission appointed by the General Conferences of the respective churches to prepare a common catechism and order of worship completed their work in the spring

of 1905. The result was Junior and Standard Catechisms and the Order of Worship, which have been approved by the Bishops of the respective churches.

The Commission was composed of the following members:

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.—Bishops W. W. Duncan and A. Coke Smith, J. J. Tigert, J. O. Willson, J. E. Godbey, O. E. Brown, and R. E. Blackwell

Methodist Episcopal Church.—Bishops S. M. Merrill and J. M. Walden, J. W. Jennings, W. N. Kelley, S. A. Royal, A. W. Harris, and F. L. Brown.

TEMPERANCE.

The Methodist Church, South, regards intemperance as one of the direst foes confronting evangelical Christianity. The true attitude of the Church to this great foe is clearly seen in Chapter V. of the Discipline. The Church has no Temperance Societies, but is allied in spirit and effort with every temperance organization whose spirit is in accord with the Bible and which embodies no compromising or unsafe principles.

PUBLISHING HOUSE EXHIBIT.

At the time of going to press the Publishing House has not furnished its exhibit for 1905. We give that showing the business for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1904.

EXHIBIT.

Sales, Nashville	\$339,946.03
Sales, Dallas	81,728.63
Sales, Retail Department	16,016.80

Gross sales	437,691.46
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From which deduct: Sales to Dallas, \$63,- 921.56; Sales to Retail Department, \$13,- 933.75	77,855.31
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Net Sales (nine monmonths)	359,836.15
Net sales last year (nine months)	331,474.13

Increase	28,362.02
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PROFITS.

Net gains in assets, Nashville	\$31,811.49
Net gain in assets, Dallas	5,580.47

Total gain	37,391.96
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Cash in bank	\$40,356.36
Nashville city bonds	100,000.00
Postage stamps	166.72

Total cash items\$140,523.08

CAPITAL.

Total assets, December 31, 1904	\$988,896.33
Total liabilities, December 31, 1904	27,455.85

Capital as per ledger\$961,440.48

BISHOPS OF METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

Joshua Soule, ordained Bishop 1824; died March 6, 1867.

James Osgood Andrew, ordained Bishop 1832; died March 2, 1871.

William Capers, ordained Bishop 1846; died January 29, 1855.

Robert Paine, ordained Bishop 1846; died October 19, 1882.

Henry Biddleman Bascom, ordained Bishop 1850; died September 8, 1850.

George Foster Pierce, ordained Bishop 1854; died September 3, 1884.

John Early, ordained Bishop 1854; died November 5, 1873.

Hubbard Hinde Kavanaugh, ordained Bishop 1854; died March 19, 1884.

William May Wightman, ordained Bishop 1866; died February 3, 1882.

Enoch Mather Marvin, ordained Bishop 1866; died November 26, 1877.

David Seth Doggett, ordained Bishop 1866; died October 27, 1880.

Holland Nimmons McTyeire, ordained Bishop 1866; died February 15, 1889.

John Christian Keener, ordained Bishop 1870; residence, New Orleans, La.

Alpheus Waters Wilson, ordained Bishop 1882; residence, Baltimore, Md.

Linus Parker, ordained Bishop 1882; died March 6, 1885.

John Cowper Granbery, ordained Bishop 1882; residence, Ashland, Va.

Robert Kennon Hargrove, ordained Bishop 1882; residence, Nashville, Tenn.

William Wallace Duncan, ordained Bishop 1886; residence, Spartanburg, S. C.

Charles Betts Galloway, ordained Bishop 1886; residence, Jackson, Miss.

Eugene Russell Hendrix, ordained Bishop 1886; residence, Kansas City, Mo.

Joseph Staunton Key, ordained Bishop 1886; residence, Sherman, Tex.

Atticus Greene Haygood, ordained Bishop 1890; died January 19, 1896.

Oscar Penn Fitzgerald, ordained Bishop 1890; residence, Nashville, Tenn.

Warren Akin Candler, ordained Bishop 1898; residence, Atlanta, Ga.

Henry Clay Morrison, ordained Bishop 1898; residence, New Orleans, La.

E. Embree Hoss, ordained Bishop 1902; residence, Dallas, Texas.

A. Coke Smith, ordained Bishop, 1902; residence, Asheville, N. C.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMISSION ON UNION OF METHOD- ISMS IN JAPAN.

The progress of Christian Missions in the Japanese Empire has been such during the last decade that it seemed wise to bring the several Methodist bodies now working in that empire into closer relation. This conviction, in the interest of unity, economy, and increased efficiency, led the representative missionaries and Japanese ministers of the six Methodist Churches in that field to the favorable consideration of organic union.

This question was submitted to the General Conferences of at least four of the Methodist Churches represented in Japan, with the result that Commissions were appointed by the respective Churches, and clothed with power to act when these Commissions should be called together.

On the third of January, 1906, there met at Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church, in Baltimore, Md., Commissions representing the following Churches:

The Methodist Church in Canada.—Commissioners: R. A. Carman, D. D., Rev. A. Sutherland, D. D., Rev. William Boggs, D. D., Hon. Justice Maclaren, LL. D., H. H. Fudger, Esq.

The Methodist Episcopal Church.—Commissioners: Bishop Earl Cranston, D. D., Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D., Rev. C. W. Smith, D. D., Lemuel Skidmore, Esq., Charles Z. Lincoln, Esq.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South.—Commissioners:

Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D., Bishop Charles B. Galloway, D. D., Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Rev. T. T. Fishburn, Rev. W. R. Lamuth, D. D.

The Methodist Protestant Church.—Commissioners: Rev. W. L. Wells, D. D., Rev. F. C. Klein, Mr. S. R. Harris, Rev. T. J. Ogburn, Rev. F. F. Brierly.

Rev. G. D. Gossard, of the United Brethren in Christ, was present, but in the absence of specific action by the General Conference of said Church, declined to take part in the deliberations.

The Evangelical Association of America not having been notified in time no representative was present.

Two days of prayerful and painstaking consideration were given to the question before the said Commissioners, but not being able to reach definite and final conclusions, it was decided to adjourn subject to the call of the four presidents of the four Methodist bodies represented—Rev. A. Carman, D. D., Toronto, Canada; Bishop Earl Cranston, D. D., Washington, D. C.; Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D., Baltimore, Md.; Rev. T. J. Ogburn, D. D., Baltimore, Md.

All of the Commissioners present were deeply impressed with the momentous issues involved, and devoutly desired to reach such a basis as should bring the Methodist Churches in Japan, who are already in hearty co-operation, into organic union.

Signed: A. B. LEONARD,
 W. R. LAMBUTH,
 Secretaries.

BENEFACTIONS FOR 1905.

There is a brighter side even to our commercial activities, however bad some of them may be. Modern business has at least been relieved by the most remarkable public benefactions known to civilization.

At the head of the list for 1905 stand the \$10,000,000 gift by Mr. Rockefeller to the General Education Board, and Mr. Carnegie's \$10,000,000 pension fund for college professors. Mr. Rockefeller gave \$1,000,000 to Yale University. He also made two gifts of \$100,000 each to the American Baptist Missionary Union, these following the single contribution of \$100,000 to the American Board of Foreign Missions, over which arose the long debate on the subject of "tainted money." Henry C. Frick gave \$100,000 toward a million-dollar fund for the American Academy of Arts at Rome. Charles L. Freer has offered to the Smithsonian Institution his invaluable Whistler and Chinese and Japanese

art collections, together with \$500,000 to house them. Dr. D. K. Pearsons, of Chicago added \$100,000 to his previous contributions, aggregating \$3,000,000 to American colleges. George A. Hearn presented \$100,000 to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. There were many gifts of \$50,000 and less for philanthropic purposes.

Among the public bequests of the year the most imposing came from the estate of Stephen Salisbury, of Worcester, Mass., who left \$20,000,000 to Harvard, Clark University, the Worcester Polytechnic School, the Worcester hospitals, and the city itself. Gen. I. J. Wistar bequeathed \$2,000,000 to the Institute of Anatomy at Philadelphia. Mrs. Julia E. Hackley so disposed of \$2,000,000 in public bequests as to reduce the tax-rate and benefit every tax-payer in Muskegon, Mich. Margaret A. Jones divided \$1,000,000 between St. Luke's, the Presbyterian, and the Post-Graduate hospitals, in New York. Joseph E. Gillingham left \$849,000 to four Pennsylvania colleges.—New York World.

Statistics.

CHURCH SUPPORT, JANUARY 1, 1905—JANUARY 1, 1906.

Conferences	Minis- terial Support	Confer- ence Claim- ants	Foreign Mis- sions	Domes- tic Mis- sions	Educa- tion	Church Exten- sion	Ameri- can Bible Society	Spent on Churches and Parson- ages	Total Amount Paid for all Purposes.
1. Alabama	\$133,326	\$ 12,069	\$ 15,788	\$ 8,463	\$ 8,369	\$ 4,967	\$ 680	\$ 58,459	\$ 244,412
2. Arkansas	40,856	2,373	4,592	2,700	1,394	1,267	89	18,813	95,871
3. Baltimore	128,817	13,425	11,040	9,554	2,189	3,424	619	88,053	358,195
4. Brazil Mission	10,456	303	54	1,498	570	160	75	-----	26,585
5. Central Mexico Mission	*921	*113	-----	*1,554	-----	*157	*57	-----	*1,884
6. China Mission	1,885	-----	-----	137	-----	*331	*38	-----	*3,146
7. Columbia	4,798	214	311	300	92	109	8	2,411	16,334
8. Cuban Mission	*195	-----	-----	*515	-----	*189	*50	-----	*5,308
9. Denver	5,878	236	455	230	95	180	13	5,648	15,768
10. East Columbia	9,198	140	400	145	362	154	15	4,835	17,217
11. Florida	76,060	4,417	4,998	5,512	2,604	1,851	284	34,817	168,533
12. German Mission	5,116	297	853	908	112	128	73	242	9,489
13. Holston	113,050	6,469	12,634	8,082	3,579	3,920	927	98,039	265,807
14. Illinois	14,076	284	248	224	59	234	22	4,795	22,461
15. Indian Mission	86,886	2,368	6,453	4,954	3,128	1,695	191	*60,360	147,781
16. Japan Mission	1,007	23	-----	155	-----	46	1	-----	2,177
17. Kentucky	69,077	2,982	5,748	3,502	1,940	1,748	687	41,291	115,977
18. Little Rock	79,917	*6,545	6,272	5,087	*1,506	2,056	223	*65,182	161,048
19. Los Angeles	17,404	849	1,117	1,109	83	352	67	9,176	54,234
20. Louisiana	*87,880	*5,870	*7,172	*3,902	*2,665	*2,067	*655	*35,480	*187,916
21. Louisville	89,623	3,537	8,547	6,124	2,754	2,244	464	46,255	208,662
22. Memphis	117,790	6,609	15,571	5,725	2,080	3,733	657	*56,747	244,218

23. Mexican Border	* 1,658	*272	-----	*385	-----	*88	*30	-----	*2,435
24. Mississippi	111,181	7,235	10,621	7,859	2,953	3,176	1,361	90,412	347,910
25. Missouri	111,833	5,570	12,437	7,177	3,533	3,727	381	95,999	287,312
26. Montana	5,439	193	462	462	219	163	46	-----	6,985
27. New Mexico	12,322	482	575	313	57	241	37	9,573	27,152
28. North Alabama	139,264	8,329	14,202	5,862	7,719	4,022	665	91,659	328,047
29. North Carolina	130,358	6,676	15,509	11,321	6,325	5,116	713	114,823	343,550
30. North Georgia	179,992	18,563	24,153	14,307	5,580	5,941	890	127,552	534,012
31. North Mississippi	103,878	4,612	9,708	4,211	3,699	2,826	905	49,721	214,667
32. North Texas	124,312	5,861	9,998	5,776	*3,572	3,096	286	+145,115	*290,516
33. Northwest Mexican Mission	*1,854	-----	-----	*1,217	-----	*186	*40	-----	*1,685
34. Northwest Texas	195,160	10,815	15,006	13,984	6,769	5,807	633	166,480	448,040
35. Pacific	40,177	1,706	2,205	1,431	533	775	113	14,165	75,991
36. St. Louis	88,834	4,927	6,797	3,979	2,513	2,254	327	67,715	244,563
37. South Carolina	178,189	9,800	18,505	14,626	6,000	4,879	729	*91,222	427,554
38. South Georgia	159,702	9,993	34,138	11,988	6,700	5,157	919	85,329	425,970
39. Southwest Missouri	86,240	4,203	7,242	4,787	1,761	2,328	232	29,319	210,843
40. Tennessee	114,647	7,817	15,579	9,073	3,690	4,845	456	58,972	276,166
41. Texas	124,755	6,591	8,790	8,118	3,485	3,468	178	*75,554	330,811
42. Virginia	203,131	14,120	30,476	12,874	52,466	6,199	1,005	174,021	666,498
43. West Texas	75,244	4,957	4,833	6,929	2,183	1,924	453	54,258	170,367
44. Western	7,780	385	452	563	76	265	22	5,691	16,957
45. Western North Carolina	129,179	7,005	17,798	8,328	6,280	5,029	852	90,601	327,556
46. Western Virginia	51,372	2,018	1,390	1,928	17,152	927	73	34,015	133,448
47. White River	52,937	2,198	5,021	1,411	924	1,350	115	29,829	112,044
Total for 1905	3,524,464	213,538	368,266	229,298	177,786	104,821	17,376	2,241,419	7,996,665
Total for 1904	3,362,773	205,951	331,593	218,334	-----	102,432	18,434	-----	-----
Increase	161,690	7,587	36,672	10,964	-----	2,389	-----	-----	-----
Decrease	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	1,057	-----	-----

A star indicates that the figures are for 1904.

VALUATION EXHIBIT, JANUARY 1, 1905—JANUARY 1, 1906.

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SOUTHERN METHODIST HANDBOOK.

Conferences	Houses of Worship	Parsonages		Orphan- ages	Hos- pitals	Con- fer- ence Organ	Total Valu- ation Not Counting Loan and Trust Funds
		Circuit and Station	District				
1. Alabama	\$1,048,500	\$220,325	\$33,800	\$12,500	\$-----	\$-----	\$1,667,026
2. Arkansas	282,450	55,885	7,500	2,100	-----	-----	431,935
3. Baltimore	1,598,905	267,325	20,000	-----	-----	-----	2,456,320
4. Brazil Mission	134,720	18,927	-----	-----	-----	-----	373,491
5. Central Mexico Mission	1,240	67,146	-----	-----	-----	-----	95,592
6. China Mission	21,106	21,610	-----	-----	14,792	-----	289,315
7. Columbia	34,550	12,570	1,800	-----	-----	-----	55,670
8. Cuban Mission	40,300	3,310	-----	-----	-----	-----	81,052
9. Denver	90,300	19,350	-----	-----	-----	-----	109,775
10. East Columbia	51,550	14,275	-----	-----	-----	-----	90,460
11. Florida	505,400	140,920	70,000	-----	-----	-----	945,655
12. German Mission	39,175	13,285	2,250	10,000	-----	-----	138,480
13. Holston	1,139,888	221,000	32,000	30,000	-----	-----	1,846,293
14. Illinois	117,910	26,500	2,400	-----	-----	2,000	152,066
15. Indian Mission	408,148	89,122	25,750	-----	-----	-----	825,106
16. Japan Mission	10,225	1,487	-----	-----	-----	-----	78 212
17. Kentucky Mission	799,900	155,150	4,000	31,875	-----	-----	1,147,633
18. Little Rock	516,609	129,900	9,500	2,100	-----	-----	990,108
19. Los Angeles	179,050	40,300	3,500	-----	-----	-----	228,502
20. Louisiana	*634,960	*135,113	*3,800	-----	-----	-----	*1,038,345
21. Louisville	1,075,155	192,487	14,000	31,875	-----	-----	1,485,503
22. Memphis	1,049,289	214,144	31,500	-----	-----	-----	1,391,933

23. Mexican Border	52,240	11,140	1,700	12,500		97,580
24. Mississippi	636,350	180,980	16,800	20,000		1,421,995
25. Missouri	1,143,280	182,175			2,000	1,788,208
26. Montana	57,500	21,735				91,235
27. New Mexico	89,000	21,245	1,750			113,225
28. North Alabama	987,602	232,838	36,586	12,500		1,510,899
29. North Carolina	1,099,927	192,200	22,500	50,000	2,000	1,781,204
30. North Georgia	1,512,550	283,676	11,300	46,000	18,338 1.300	2,639,953
31. North Mississippi	684,840	169,648	22,150	20,000		1,096,838
32. North Texas	869,352	184,842	28,000	10,000		1,239,064
33. Northwest Mexican	39,430	12,600				26,014
34. Northwest Texas	1,179,566	244,483	39,057	12,500		1,688,176
35. Pacific	387,325	73,900	6,300			492,525
36. St. Louis	1,097,230	137,905	1,500	125,000	2,000	1,673,684
37. South Carolina	1,240,953	299,800	42,500	100,000		2,177,193
38. South Georgia	1,160,491	243,435	8,300	50,000	18,338 1.300	1,981,589
39. Southwest Missouri	854,000	149,625			2,000	1,323,625
40. Tennessee	1,174,311	152,578	20,885			3,564,876
41. Texas	923,285	209,750	14,000	10,000		1,296,035
42. Virginia	2,318,919	375,050	9,500	108,000		3,508,881
43. West Texas	445,779	125,890	10,400	10,000		783,339
44. Western	89,300	18,225			2,000	112,949
45. Western North Carolina	1,251,162	218,080	30,000		5,500	2,257,693
46. Western Virginia	607,975	107,260	5,500			803,005
47. White River	284,826	62,420	6,550	2,100		427,896
Total for 1905	29,989,124	5,860,135	534,078	696,550	63,968 20,100	50,464,664
Total for 1904	27,853,216	5,413,933	474,973			†961,440
Increase	2,135,908	446,202	59,105			51,426,104

+ indicates that the figures are for 1904.

† indicates Publishing House.

STATISTICAL TABLE, JANU-

Conferences	Member- ship	The Field			Parson- ages	
	Members	Socie- ties	H'ses of Wor- ship	Pas- toral Char- ges.	Cir- cuit and St'ion	Districts
1. Alabama	57,889	668	622½	161	129	9
2. Arkansas	24,025	352	236	83	80	5
3. Baltimore	54,829	660	590	185	153	5
4. Brazil Mission	4,990	60	24	37	8	-----
5. Central Mexico Mission	3,015	59	26	29	12	-----
6. China Mission	2,469	62	43	28	10	-----
7. Columbia	1,539	39	30½	16	15	1
8. Cuban Mission	1,468	17	13	-----	4	-----
9. Denver	1,474	20	18	17	13	-----
10. East Columbia	1,810	40	28½	25	19	-----
11. Florida	24,058	356	313	128	105	5
12. German Mission	1,544	30	23½	16	15	1
13. Holston	59,260	828	673	188	130	10
14. Illinois	6,673	120	111⅔	43	41	3
15. Indian Mission	3,237	701	291	219	157	11
16. Japan Mission	1,399	19	10	15	5	-----
17. Kentucky	28,683	304	283½	112	84	1
18. Little Rock	-----	483	412	127	109	6
19. Los Angeles	3,309	37	30	32	24	1
20. Louisiana	*32,308	*397	*326	*118	*107	*4
21. Louisville	50,291	564	502½	165	133	7
22. Memphis	63,929	574	542	162	142	8
23. Mexican Border Mission	2,262	57	24	23	7	1
24. Mississippi	46,194	544	459	148	132	6
25. Missouri	45,555	481	457	166	136	-----
26. Montana	1,024	23	20	16	16	1
27. New Mexico	2,622	40	27	21	21	1
28. North Alabama	73,990	833	733	217	171	10
29. North Carolina	70,173	725	688	174	142	7
30. North Georgia	100,189	808	786	239	198	4
31. North Mississippi	44,914	594	535⅞	152	131	9
32. North Texas	51,507	521	389	172	163	10
33. Northwest Mexican Mission	1,036	34	17	16	8	-----
34. Northwest Texas	78,486	850	543½	268	220	12
35. Pacific	7,096	106	84	74	67	2
36. South Carolina	81,455	796	762	232	191	10
37. South Georgia	72,762	723	673	198	154	3
38. Southwest Missouri	32,057	351	324⅓	127	109	-----
39. St. Louis	31,737	358	268½	127	95	1
40. Tennessee	66,243	675	601	192	136	6
41. Texas	55,559	692	512	188	166	7
42. Virginia	98,156	795	767	241	179	3
43. West Texas	24,855	324	226	115	104	6
44. Western	2,575	45	41	20	19	-----
45. Western North Carolina	80,665	906	751	230	165	10
46. Western Virginia	22,963	476	335	123	75	4
47. White River	24,670	325	254⅞	88	77	3
Total for 1905	1,613,309	18,493	15,428	5,473	4,530	193
Total for 1904	1,574,663	18,096	15,119	5,276	4,253	183
Net gain for 1905	38,646	397	309	297	277	10

Star indicates that the figures are for 1904.

Education Benefi- cence		Sunday-Schools			Epworth Leagues		W. F. M. Society		W. H. M. Society.	
Orphan- ages	Hos- pitals	No. Sch'ls	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	No. Lea- gues	Mem- bers.	No. Auxil- laries	Mem- bers	No. Auxil- laries	No. Mem- bers
1/2	---	550	3,645	35,852	94	3,165	127	1,577	32	792
1/3	---	230	1,704	18,356	53	1,560	46	1,030	30	449
---	---	606	5,396	43,511	217	9,020	87	2,164	67	1,942
---	---	81	236	2,936	42	1,535	---	---	---	---
---	---	47	129	1,207	18	549	---	---	---	---
---	4	53	210	2,909	21	893	---	---	---	---
---	---	22	138	987	8	250	1	10	17	240
---	---	24	100	1,310	9	416	---	---	---	---
---	---	20	174	1,291	21	668	1	15	10	206
---	---	35	206	2,393	23	614	---	---	17	263
---	---	284	1,907	16,577	111	3,193	74	1,394	83	1,936
1-5	---	35	206	1,438	13	330	---	---	2	26
1	---	721	4,896	54,689	159	6,074	92	1,856	112	2,335
---	---	102	743	4,846	26	824	---	---	7	117
---	---	330	2,687	24,702	150	4,482	12	197	125	1,499
---	---	52	199	4,453	12	355	---	---	---	---
1/2	---	254 1/2	1,831	14,946	55	1,746	99	1,589	64	1,028
1/3	---	333	2,283	23,619	73	2,472	63	1,227	59	1,024
---	---	35	336	3,447	24	726	16	311	25	535
---	---	*290	*1,812	*16,509	*71	*1,952	*43	*1,094	*72	*1,242
1/2	---	414	2,997	28,028	75	2,904	151	2,348	50	1,024
---	---	537	4,085	37,916	69	2,408	145	3,114	68	1,637
---	1	46	142	1,685	15	490	---	---	---	---
1/2	---	421	2,370	22,568	77	2,298	55	1,231	60	1,085
---	---	403 5/8	3,422	27,660	170	5,007	55	982	46	1,067
---	---	20	118	976	12	257	---	---	4	68
---	---	26	228	2,165	16	501	1	14	18	338
1/2	---	644	4,225	44,520	89	3,000	55	1,258	51	1,235
1	---	655	5,253	49,889	61	2,556	162	4,240	54	1,966
1	1/2	736	5,767	54,683	105	3,577	189	7,549	79	2,592
1/2	---	425	2,469	21,756	41	1,413	69	1,445	81	1,559
1-5	---	375	3,098	32,351	141	4,471	38	878	111	2,834
---	---	31	112	1,053	14	387	---	---	---	---
1-5	---	586	4,747	48,488	263	9,009	51	1,239	160	4,211
---	---	94	704	6,468	65	2,013	18	34	49	929
1	---	702	4,820	44,097	58	2,285	190	6,057	46	1,012
1	1/2	608	4,163	37,986	153	4,977	209	5,194	92	2,541
---	---	281	2,461	22,039	133	4,334	69	1,636	48	1,095
1	---	258	2,378	25,871	115	4,244	63	1,117	57	1,299
---	---	584	3,911	38,120	91	2,668	89	2,221	62	1,532
1-5	---	462	3,220	30,973	108	3,354	63	1,132	135	2,591
1	---	787	8,604	67,221	121	5,656	212	5,675	37	1,035
1-5	---	225	1,851	17,881	127	3,833	36	587	73	1,344
---	---	36	303	2,129	16	458	1	41	9	107
---	---	761	4,996	59,038	32	3,184	66	2,192	39	915
---	---	373	2,609	22,403	81	2,924	40	684	26	448
1/3	---	255	1,735	16,843	37	1,340	14	385	23	591
12	6	14,850	109,626	1,039,785	3,481	120,372	2,702	64,037	2,200	48,689
---	---	14,635	106,944	1,002,575	3,416	120,705	---	---	---	---
---	---	215	2,682	37,210	65	333	---	---	---	---

AMOUNTS RAISED BY SUNDAY-SCHOOLS, EPWORTH LEAGUES,
AND WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

Conference	Sunday Schools	Ep- worth Leagues	Wo- man's Foreign Mission Society	Wo- man's Home Mission Society	Total Paid by S. S.'s, E.L.'s and Wo- man's Societies
1. Alabama	13,858	2,450	3,605	4,787	24,703
2. Arkansas	5,908	1,025	1,955	1,767	10,657
3. Baltimore	33,189	4,909	4,547	6,043	48,688
4. Brazil Mission	1,230	1,305	2,535
5. Central Mexico Mission
6. China Mission
7. Columbia	386	109	8	1,301	1,805
8. Cuban Mission	327	156	483
9. Denver	923	544	30	1,492	2,990
10. East Columbia	1,221	311	1,383	2,916
11. Florida	5,710	2,053	3,744	10,148	21,657
12. German Mission	1,131	222	16	1,371
13. Holston	16,529	2,913	4,062	14,145	37,649
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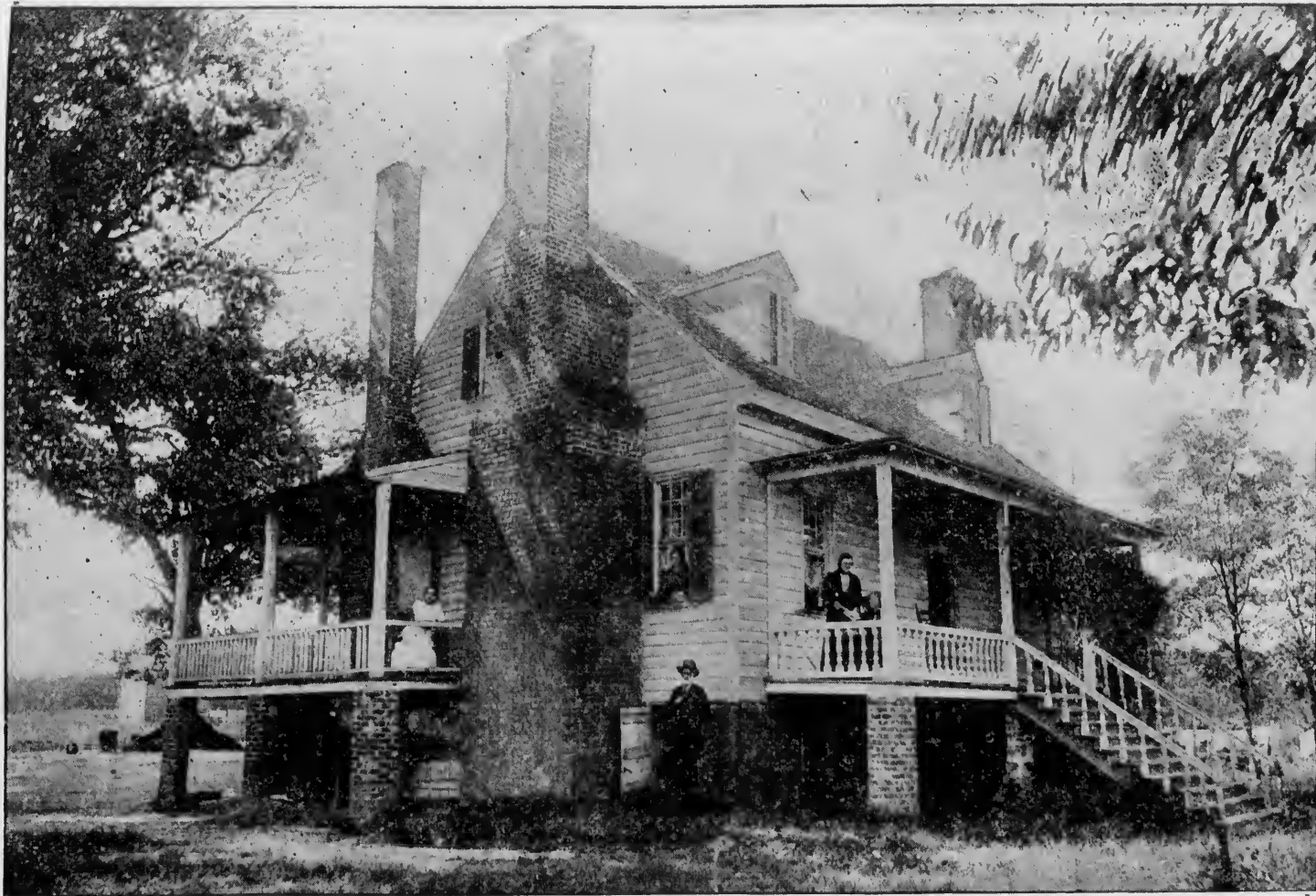


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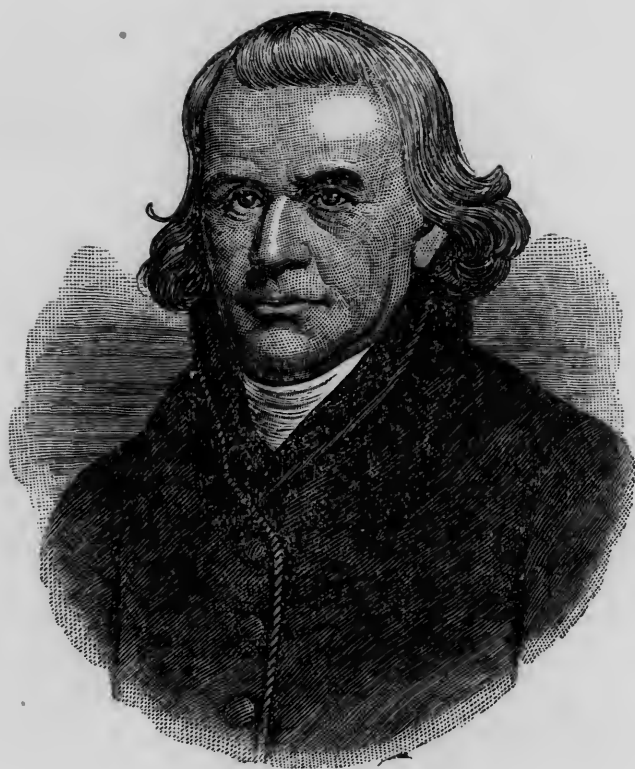
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Conference	Sunday Schools	Ep- worth Leagues	Wo- man's Foreign Mission Society	Wo- man's Home Mission Society	Total Paid by S. S.'s, E. L. and Wo- man's Societies
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2. Arkansas	5,908	1,025	1,955	1,767	10,657
3. Baltimore	33,189	4,909	4,547	6,043	48,688
4. Brazil Mission	1,230	1,305	2,535
5. Central Mexico Mission
6. China Mission
7. Columbia	386	109	8	1,301	1,805
8. Cuban Mission	327	156	483
9. Denver	923	544	30	1,492	2,990
10. East Columbia	1,221	311	1,383	2,916
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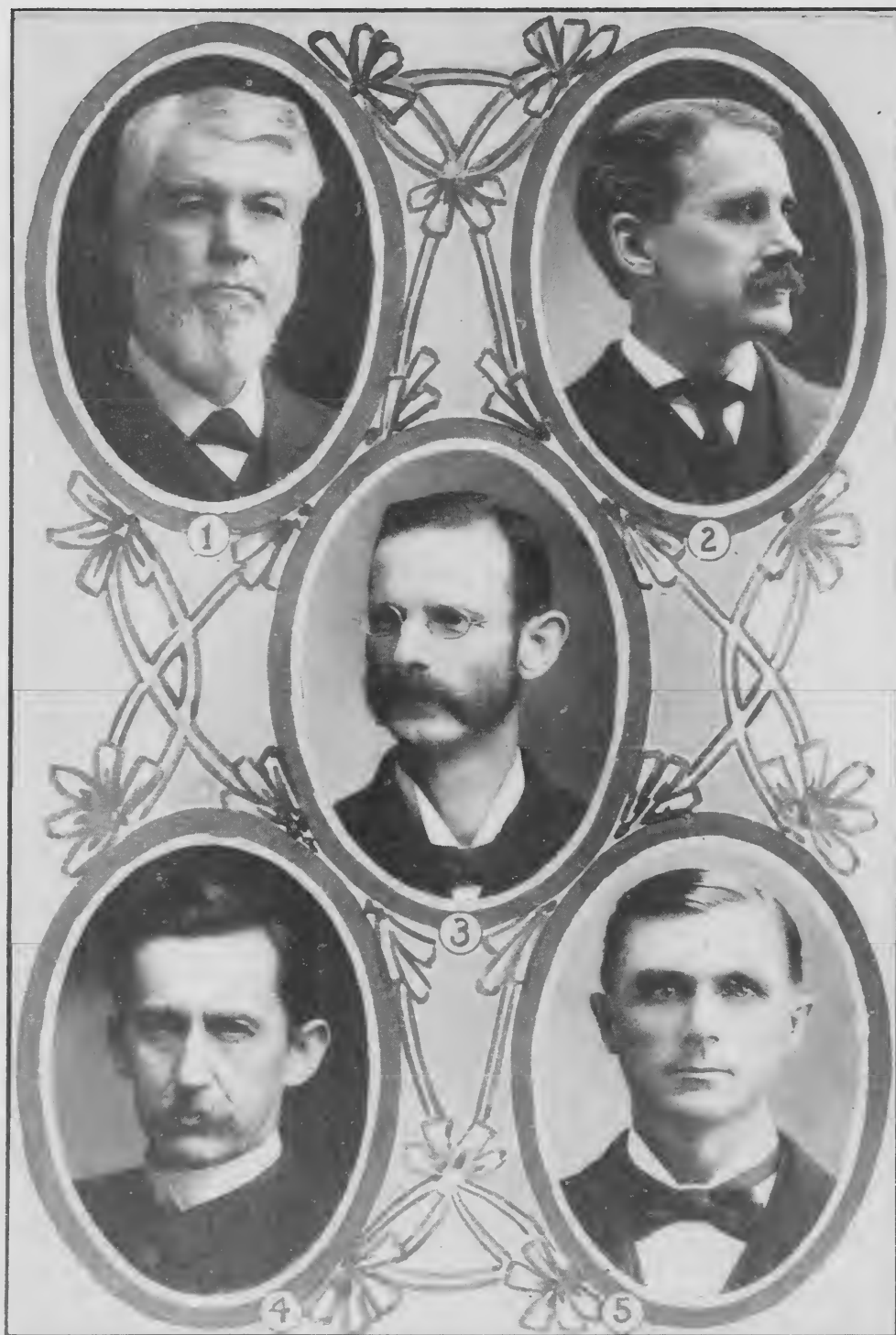
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History.

*His substance is not here,
For what you see is but the smallest part
And least proportion of humanity ;
But were the whole frame here .
It is of such a lofty spacious pitch
Your roof were not sufficient to contain it.*

—From Henry VI.

All this is to say that the twentieth century is to build up its civilization on ideas, not things that perish ; build them on spiritual truths which endure and are the same forever ; build them on faith, on hope, on love, which are the only elements of eternal life.—*Edward Everett Hale.*

The Methodists came forth as evangelists. They persuaded men. With existing institutions and creeds they had no quarrel. "In their bosoms there was no rankling grudge against authorities ; there was no particle of that venom which, wherever it lodges, infects and paralyzes the religious affections." Their controversy was not with church or State authorities, but with sin and Satan ; and their one object was to save souls.—*Holland N. McTyeire.*

HISTORY OF METHODISM.

REV. C. F. SHERRILL, OF THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE.

There are men whose coming, in the juncture of human affairs, is so opportune, and whose work is so clearly providential, that the conviction is forced upon us that they were sent for the time and for the work that made their lives so illustrious. Such characters in the world's upward movement are Moses, Paul, and Wesley; one of the greatest men in the Old Testament, one of the greatest in the New, and the other the greatest and most influential character in Modern Christianity. Father Phelan, a Roman Catholic and an able journalist, said: "Let Rome beware of any man whose name is John. What a world of trouble these Johns have given us, since the days of John Huss, John Wycliffe, John Calvin, John Knox, John Milton, John Bunyan, and last, but not least, John Wesley."

John Wesley was a man sent from God for a specific and marked work in the progress of the kingdom, as truly as was John the Baptizer. The world awaited the coming and work of the one as well as of the other. At a providential and opportune time he came to revive a dead Christianity. God's best gift to the world has always been good and holy men.

"These are indeed our pillar fires,
Seen as we go;
They are that city's shining spires,
We travel to."

THE RISE OF METHODISM.

Upon the stage of human affairs, in the onward march of the race, Methodism came at God's well-appointed time. Never did a great movement, humanly speaking, come at a more opportune time. America, where Methodism is now the largest Protestant church, was being opened up for her ever-increasing growth; the printing press, probably the greatest human inven-

tion, was then coming into general use; the Bible was being translated to carry to all tongues the messages of God; the missionary spirit was born; work with and for the children in the modern Sunday-school movement was begun; the Reformation had given Romanism a stunning blow, and the spirit of freedom was everywhere in the air; the era of woman's work in the church had dawned. The clock of Providence had struck. In God's own good time, Methodism came to bring a spiritual spring-time to a cold and dead world.

In its historic movements, the history of Methodism began in the University of Oxford, England. The spring has its unseen sources before it bursts out to gladden and refresh the world. In 1729, John and Charles Wesley and George Whitfield, the organizer, poet, and preacher of Methodism, united with a few others for intellectual and spiritual improvement. They were so methodical in their habits of religious life and duty that they were called Methodists by the gayer and more worldly students.

Methodism was not so much a new doctrine as a new life. Her avowed purpose was "to spread Scriptural holiness." Her holy warfare was not with the church so much as with sin and Satan. God put it in the hands of Luther to reform a corrupt Christianity; to Wesley, to revive a dying one. For every man under the stars our church felt that it had a message of divine love. Not into controversy, but into a rich experience it longed to bring its members. The father of the Wesleys, on his serene death-bed, laid his hands upon the head of his son Charles, and said: "Be steady; the Christian faith will surely revive in this kingdom; you shall see it, though I may not." The prophetic utterance soon became history. The sun never sets on Methodism. At every moment, day and night, at some part of the habitations of men, her glad songs are being sung.

Let us notice some of the first things of Methodism:

FIRST METHODIST CHURCHES.

The Holy Club, 1729.

Kingswood Society, 1739.

London Society, 1739.

Bristol Church, 1739.

Foundry Church, 1740.

London Chapel, 1743.

City Roads Chapel, 1778.

FIRST METHODIST INSTITUTIONS.

First school, 1739.

First circuit, 1742.

First class, 1742.

First rules, 1743.

First Conference, 1744.

First College, 1768.

First Bishop, 1784.

First Sunday-school, 1786.

THE BEGINNING OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

This Scriptural Christianity that spread so rapidly in England found a congenial soil in America. It has been but one hundred and thirty-nine years since the first Methodist church was organized in America, and now we have about one million and a half more members than any other Protestant denomination.

The real founders of American Methodism were Wesley and Whitfield. The first Methodist society was organized in New York in 1766, by Philip Embury. Barbara Heck, a noble Christian woman, has immortalized her name by being one of the prime movers in this work.

The first itinerant preachers were sent out by Mr. Wesley—Richard Boardman and Robert Pilmoor. They arrived in America in 1769. In 1771 came Francis Asbury, destined to be the most influential man in American Methodism. The story of his life is largely the story of early Methodism. He was one of the potential pioneers in our national life.

The first Annual Conference was held in Philadelphia in 1773. In 1776 the first circuit was organized in North Carolina and called the "Carolina Circuit." The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784 in Baltimore, December 25th, called the "Christmas Conference." The first Bishops were Dr. Coke and Francis Asbury, elected in 1784. Richard Whatcoat was the next Bishop, elected in 1780. William Mc-

Kendree, of Virginia, was the first native Bishop, elected in 1808.

The following are some of the first historic Methodist churches:

Sam's Creek, Md., 1766, of which Mr. Asbury wrote: "Here Mr. Strawbridge formed the first society in Maryland—and in America." John Street Church, New York, built in 1768, and the oldest Methodist church in the North. St. George's, 1769, the historic centre of Philadelphia Methodism. Lovely Lane Chapel, Baltimore, 1774, in which the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784.

The Book Concern was founded in 1789. The Tract Society in 1817. The Missionary Society in 1719. Sunday-school Society in 1827. In 1828 the Methodists of Canada were set apart as an independent body upon their own request.

Methodism was organized in America in 1748. The Baptists came in 1639; the Congregationalists in 1648; the Lutherans and Episcopalians began with the settlement of America; the Presbyterians came in 1703. From this it will be seen that the Methodist Church is the youngest in the country; 145 years younger than the Baptist, eighty-one years younger than the Presbyterian, 136 years younger than the Congregationalist. The following (latest) statistics of the denominational strength in the United States show how our church has grown:

Methodist	6,256,738
Baptist	5,150,815
Lutheran	1,789,766
Presbyterian	1,697,697
Episcopal	807,924

ORGANIZATION AND GROWTH OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

It is to be doubted if a finer and purer type of Methodism is to be found in the world than is in our own Southland. The "refining fire" has gone through our land. The luminous cloud has led. The fiery pillar has gone before us. It is a historical fact that Methodism in all sections of our country was largely planted by Southern men.

The Southern Methodist Church was organized by the General Conference in May, 1846, in Petersburg, Va. At midnight,

June 10, 1844, the fifteenth and last General Conference of united American Methodism adjourned. The "Plan of Separation" had been agreed upon, and was honorable to both parties. In 1845 the Convention met in Louisville, Ky., composed of delegates from fourteen Annual Conferences. It was presided over by Bishops Soule and Andrews, and it proceeded to organize the M. E. Church, South, as an independent branch of Christ's Church. The doctrines of Arminianism, the peculiar usages and discipline of Methodism, and ecclesiastical polity, remain about the same in both churches.

The first General Conference of Southern Methodism was held in Petersburg, Va., May, 1846, with eighty-seven members. On the first day Rev. John Early presided, until the arrival of Bishop Andrews. On the second day Bishop Soule, the senior Bishop of American Methodism, formally announced his adherence to Southern Methodism. William Capers and Robert Paine were elected Bishops. From this time our General Conference has met quadrennially.

The Northern church refused to divide the property of the Book Concern in pro rata proportion, and the United States Supreme Court decided in favor of our Church, and we held the printing establishment at Nashville, Richmond, and Charleston.

Soon the war came on to devastate our fair land. Our hills ran blood; but our people never wavered in their faith and heroism. And to-day Christianity in all the earth has no purer form than in our Southern Methodism.

At our first General Conference in 1846, we had only sixteen Annual Conferences, 455,217 members, and two Bishops. We have grown to forty-eight Annual Conferences, including the Mission Conferences. Twenty-seven Bishops have been elected, twelve of whom are now living.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized in 1878; the Church Extension Society in 1882; the Woman's Home Mission Society in 1886; the Board of Education in 1894; the Epworth League Board in 1894; in 1870 lay delegates were admitted for the first time to the General Conference.

Our first General Conference began at once the work of Foreign Missions. At the separation in 1844, American

Methodism had no representative in any foreign field except Liberia and Buenos Ayres. In 1846 our Southern Church organized the China Mission; Mexico, 1871; Brazil, 1873; Japan, 1886; Korea, 1896; Cuba, 1898. We have 486 foreign missionaries.

Most pleasant relations now exist between the two co-ordinate branches of Methodism. Fraternal delegates since 1874 have borne messages of good will to the General Conferences of both churches. The last letter John Wesley wrote to America was to Ezekiel Cooper, and contained these words: "Lose no opportunity of declaring to all men that the Methodists are one in all the world, and that it is their full determination so to continue." The "Plan of Separation" has given place to the spirit of Federation. One Methodist people we are, in heart and doctrine, though Providence has ordered it that we shall be a distinct and separate organization for years yet in the future.

What a heritage John Wesley, the founder under God of Methodism, has left us. He was born 1703, and died 1791, exclaiming: "The best of all is, God is with us." He preached 42,400 times, an average of fifteen times a week. He gave away \$150,000, and published about 200 volumes. His last sermon, February 23, 1791, seven days before he died, was from the text: "Seek ye the Lord while He may be found." May our Methodist people always have the zeal and consecration of their immortal leader. Be it ours to walk in his steps as he walked in the steps of Christ.

The savor of that deathless name fills all the ambient air;
Wherever human tones are heard, lo! Wesley's voice is there;
This "brand" plucked from the burning lodge of Epworth feeds
the flame

To kindle which upon the earth the great Redeemer came.

For such a man no limits were of diocese or kirk.

"My parish is the world," he cries, "and life my day for work;
My call is to humanity, now crushed and cursed by sin,
My mission to the outcast poor, for Christ the lost to win."

Oh, what to him were effete forms of cope, or stole, or beads—
Dead substitutes for Christ-like life and loving, Christ-like
deeds!

His life by deeds vicarious, for men to live and die,
Not honor here he sought, or rest—his recompense on high.

Dead for a century, still he speaks, and shall while yet is
time;

That life shall prove a potent force in every land and clime;
And unborn millions cheerful give all honor to his name,
While souls redeemed in heaven above shall swell the joyous
strain.

DATES AND EVENTS IN METHODIST HISTORY.*

- 1703.—John Wesley born at Epworth, England.
- 1707.—Charles Wesley born at Epworth England.
- 1714.—George Whitefield born at Gloucester, England.
- 1725.—John Wesley ordained deacon in the Church of England.
- 1726.—John Wesley elected Fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford.
- 1728.—John Wesley ordained elder or priest in the Church of England.
- 1729.—John Wesley, with his brother Charles and several other young men at Oxford University, form a club for the purpose of prayer and study of the Scriptures. This was the beginning of the "Holy Club," and they were called "Methodists" by their fellow-students.
- 1735.—John Wesley, his brother Charles, and others, came to America as missionaries to the Indians in the State of Georgia.
- 1736.—The moral and religious condition of England at this date was most deplorable. Every sixth house in London was a licensed grog-shop. Infidelity, ignorance, licentiousness and crime were to be seen on every side. Even some of the clergymen were given to dissipation.
- 1738.—John Wesley returns to England the early part of this year. During this year he receives the "Witness of the Spirit."

* From "Memory Verses and Methodist Dates," by Rev. H. H. Smith, of the Virginia Conference.

- 1739.—Wesley and Whitefield, excluded from some pulpits of the Church of England, begin "field" preaching. Sometimes they preached to crowds of from 10,000 to 20,000 persons. In these services they were often interrupted and persecuted by mobs, yet thousands of souls were converted.
- 1739.—This mars the date of the first organized form of Methodism, "The United Society."
- 1739.—The first Methodist chapel in the world built at Bristol, England.
- 1740.—The first Methodist chapel in London, the "Foundry," opened for worship.
- 1740.—Whitefield begins to build the Bethesda Orphanage, near Savannah, Ga.
- 1741.—Separation of Wesley and Whitefield on the doctrines of Calvinism.
- 1741.—Lay preachers are first employed. Cennick,, Maxfield, Humphreys, and others, were among the first.
- 1742.—John Wesley, being refused the pulpit at Epworth, preached in the church-yard, standing on his father's tomb.
- 1742.—The first Methodist circuit is formed, and the appointments are filled by John Wesley.
- 1742.—Class meetings are first held.
- 1743.—The "General Rules" are adopted and published.
- 1744.—The first Methodist Conference held in London at the "Foundry." Besides the two Wesleys, there were present four other clergymen and four lay preachers.
- 1745.—Francis Asbury born near Birmingham, England.
- 1747.—Methodism introduced into Ireland.
- 1760.—Philip Embury, the first class leader and local preacher in America, arrives in New York from Ireland.
- 1760.—Methodism introduced into the West Indies by Nathaniel Gilbert.
- 1766.—Robert Strawbridge (according to Bishop Asbury) built the first Methodist church in America, on Sam's Creek, in Frederick (now Carroll) County, Md.
- 1766.—Philip Embury began to preach in New York City.
- 1767.—Captain Thomas Webb establishes Methodism in Philadelphia.
- 1768.—John Street Church, New York City, built. It is the oldest Methodist church in the North.
- 1768.—Robert Williams planted Methodism in Virginia.
- 1769.—Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, the first preachers sent over from England to help the societies in America, arrive.

- 1769.—Hannah Ball, a young Methodist, establishes a Sunday-school at Wycombe, England.*
- 1770.—George Whitefield died at Newburyport, Mass. He crossed the Atlantic thirteen times, and for many years of his life preached fifteen times a week.
- 1771.—Francis Asbury sails for America. This was ten or twelve years before Robert Raikes organized his first Sunday-school.
- 1773.—The first Conference in America held in Philadelphia, Thos. Rankin presided. Ten preachers were present. The total membership of the Societies in America was 1,160. "This Conference met in St. George's Church, which is still in use, and is the oldest Methodist Church used continuously for worship in the world."
- 1773.—Wm. Watters, the first native American Methodist itinerant received on trial.
- 1748.—Thomas Coke comes to America.
- 1784.—The Methodist Episcopal Church in America organized as a Conference which met in Baltimore, December 24th. It is known as the "Christmas Conference." Dr. Coke, who had been ordained by Mr. Wesley, was elected Superintendent, or Bishop; Francis Asbury was also elected Superintendent, or Bishop to assist Dr. Coke. He was ordained by Dr. Coke, assisted by several elders. The twenty-five Articles of Religion were adopted. At this date there were 18,000 Methodists in America.
- 1786.—Bishop Asbury organized the first Sunday-school in the United States, in the house of Thos. Crenshaw, in Hanover county, Va.
- 1787.—Cokesbury College, the first Methodist College in America, opened at Abingdon, Md. It was named for Coke and Asbury.
- 1787.—First steps taken to evangelize the slaves. Galleries are built for them in the churches, and they are given religious instruction.
- 1788.—Death of Charles Wesley. He is the author of about 6,000 hymns. "He is great among poets and prince of English hymnists."
- 1789.—Jesse Lee, of Virginia, plants Methodism in New England.
- 1791.—Death of John Wesley, at the age of eighty-eight years. During the sixty-five years of his ministry it is estimated that he preached 42,000 times, published 200

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books and pamphlets, and traveled 250,000 miles, or ten times the circumference of the globe, and mostly on horseback. Among his last words were: "The best of all is, God is with us," which he twice repeated.

- 1791.—William Losee, of New York, plants Methodism in Canada.
- 1792.—The first regular General Conference held in Baltimore. Bishop Coke presided. The Presiding Eldership was legally established.
- 1796.—The second General Conference held in Baltimore. Coke and Asbury presided in turn. Six Annual Conferences were formed and their boundaries fixed: The New England, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Virginia, South Carolina and Western Conferences.
- 1800.—The third General Conference held in Baltimore. A great revival took place at this Conference, and about 200 souls were converted. Richard Whatcoat was elected Bishop. The question of slavery agitated the Conference.
- 1800.—Statistics: Two hundred and eighty-seven traveling preachers, and 64,894 members. (Compare with the statistics of 1904, which include all Methodist bodies in America: 29,634 traveling preachers, and 6,192,494 members.)
- 1804.—The fourth General Conference, held in Baltimore. This Conference passed a law limiting the ministerial term to two years. Before this there had been no limit, though the practice was to change every year, and often twice a year. The Quarterly Conference was created this year.
- 1808.—The fifth General Conference held in Baltimore. William McKendree was elected Bishop. He was the first native American Bishop. This Conference passed a law making the General Conference a delegated body.
- 1811.—The first Methodist mission in Africa established at Sierra Leone.
- 1812.—The first delegated General Conference held in New York. Bishops Asbury and McKendree presided. Local preachers were made eligible to elders' orders.
- 1813.—Bishop Coke, now nearly seventy years old, becomes so intensely interested in foreign missions that, despite the advice of his friends and the protest of the Conference, he sails for India to establish a mission, investing \$30,000 of his own funds to carry on the enterprise.
- 1814.—Bishop Coke died on a voyage to India, and was buried

in the Indian Ocean. He was a most energetic missionary worker, crossing the Atlantic eighteen times, and spending a fortune to establish missions in the West Indies, Africa, Asia, England, Wales, and Ireland.

1816.—Bishop Asbury died in Spottsylvania County, Va. It is estimated that during his ministry he traveled 270,000 miles, or more than ten times the circumference of the globe, and mostly on horseback; preached 16,000 times, sat in 244 Annual Conferences, and ordained 4,000 preachers.

1820.—Missionary Societies formally adopted by the Church.

1830.—The Methodist Protestant Church organized.

1844.—The ninth delegated General Conference held in New York. "This was one of the most memorable of the General Conferences. The agitation of the question of slave-holding in the Church culminated in the adoption of the 'Plan of Separation,' and the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Leonidas L. Hamline and Edmund S. Janes elected Bishops."

(From this date we follow the history of the M. E. Church, South.)

1845.—A Convention of the Southern delegates, held in Louisville, Ky., declared the Conferences there represented a distinct denomination, under the name of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South." Bishops Soule and Andrew were requested to act as Bishops of the new church. Bishop Soule, though sympathizing with the Southern body, deferred to do so until the following year. Sixteen Annual Conferences were represented, with a membership, white and colored, numbering nearly 500,000.

1846.—The first General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, was held at Petersburg, Va. "Bishop Soule declared his adherence to the Church, South. William Capers and Robert Paine were elected Bishops, the Discipline was revised, and the separation and organization were completed."

1848.—The M. E. Church, South, begins missionary work in China. Dr. Charles Taylor is sent out as a missionary.

1850.—The second General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, held at St. Louis, Mo. Henry B. Bascom elected Bishop.

- 1854.—The third General Conference held at Columbus, Ga. George F. Pierce, Hubbard H. Kavanaugh, and John Early elected Bishops.
- 1858.—The fourth General Conference held at Nashville, Tenn.
- 1862.—War prevented the fifth General Conference from being held this year, which was to have met at New Orleans, La.
- 1866.—The fifth General Conference held at New Orleans. Wm. M. Wightman, Enoch M. Marvin, David S. Doggett, and Holland N. McTyeire elected Bishops. The ministerial term extended to four years; since 1804 the limit had been two years. Lay delegation to the General Conference enacted. The church Conference was instituted. Limit of six months probation for membership abolished.
- 1870.—The sixth General Conference held at Memphis, Tenn. John C. Keener was elected Bishop. The District Conference was instituted. Laymen first appear in the General Conference.
- 1870.—The Colored M. E. Church organized.
- 1878.—The Woman's Missionary Society organized.
- 1881.—An Ecumenical Methodist Conference held at City Road Chapel, London. Four hundred delegates were present, from more than twenty different countries, representing about five million members, who heard the Gospel in thirty languages.
- 1882.—The ninth General Conference held at Nashville, Tenn. Alpheus W. Wilson, Linus Parker, John C. Granbery, and Robert K. Hargrove elected Bishops.
- 1882.—The Church Extension Society organized. (In 1902, twenty years after its organization, it had aided more than 5,000 churches, with more than a million of dollars in gifts, and one-half million dollars in loans.)
- 1886.—The tenth General Conference held in Richmond, Va. Wallace W. Duncan, Charles B. Galloway, Eugene R. Hendrix, and Jos. S. Key elected Bishops.
- 1890.—The eleventh General Conference held at St. Louis, Mo. Oscar P. Fitzgerald and Atticus G. Haywood elected Bishops.
- 1894.—The twelfth General Conference held at Memphis, Tenn. This Conference passed a law committing the licensing of local preachers to the District Conference. The Epworth League was organized.
- 1898.—The thirteenth General Conference held at Baltimore. Warren A. Candler and Henry C. Morrison elected Bishops.

- 1900.—A joint commission from the M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South, appointed to adopt a common hymnal, catechism and order of worship.
- 1902.—The fourteenth General Conference held at Dallas, Texas. E. Embree Hoss and A. Coke Smith elected Bishops.
- 1902.—The M. E. Church, South, subscribed more than two millions of dollars to the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund for Education.

THE FIRST DAYS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

(EXCERPTS FROM TIGERT'S CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY OF AMERICAN METHODISM.)

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1844.

It may well be doubted whether a General Conference of abler, broader, juster, or more deeply religious Christian men has ever assembled in American Methodism than the General Conference in 1844. It met in the Greene Street Church, New York, Wednesday, May 1st, adjourning a little after midnight on the morning of June 11th, and was composed of one hundred and eighty delegates elect, of whom one hundred and forty-nine took their seats on the first day. In the spirit of their Master they met the unexampled, and, as is clearly demonstrated, unmanageable difficulties of a situation big with the future of the Church and the Nation. It was a situation beyond the power of these men, or of any men to control; and when this fact was once clearly grasped, majority and minority alike faced the issue with heroic courage and gentle firmness that were Christ-like, and with an insight of clear and assured wisdom that at this day seems little short of a miracle. Methodism in the United States could no longer hold together. The majority could not be expected to cut themselves off; with great unanimity the Conference made the best possible provision for the independent ecclesiastical organization of the minority.

THE LOUISVILLE CONVENTION.

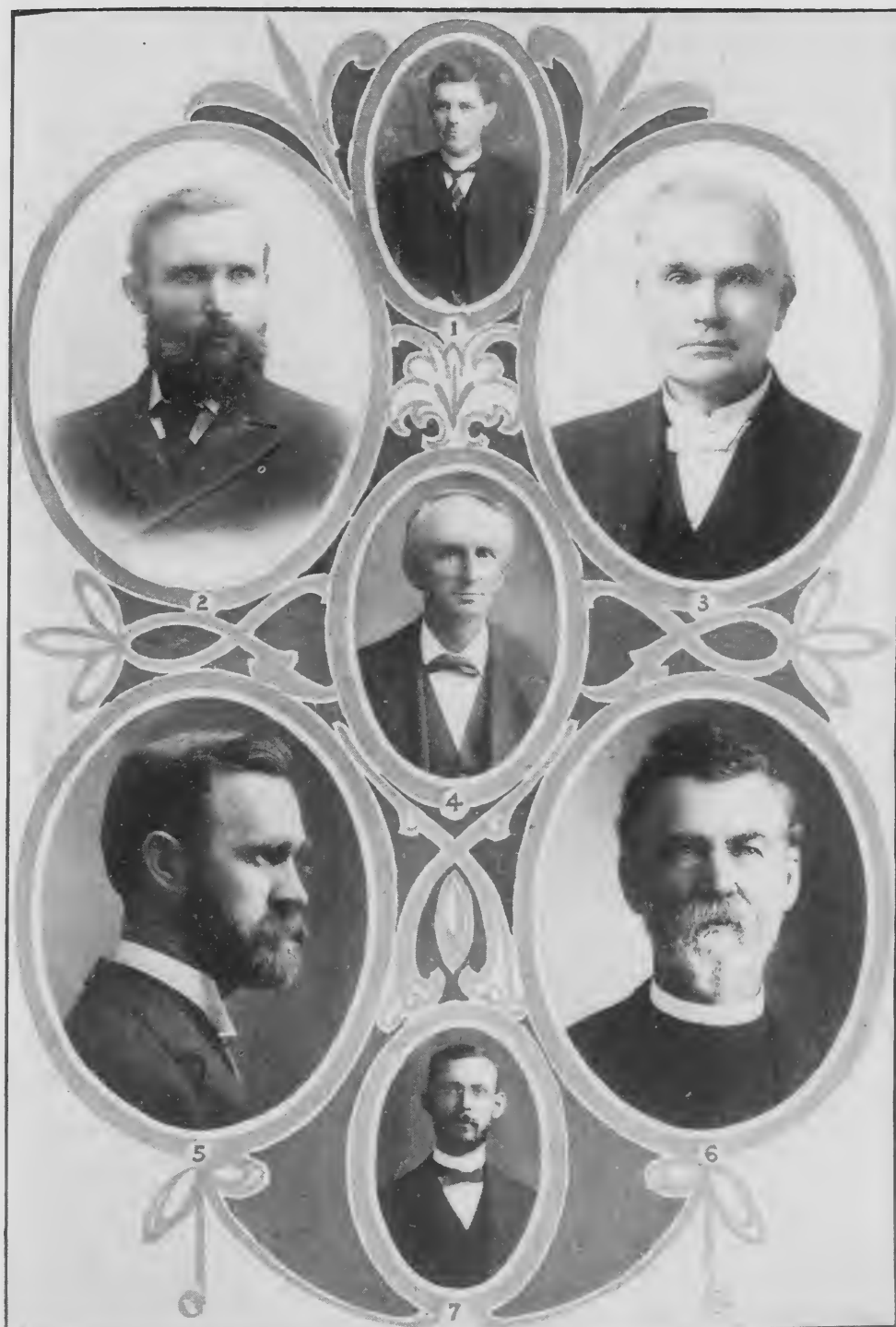
Saturday, May 17, 1845, is the birthday of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as a distinct ecclesiastical autonomy, separate from the jurisdiction of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. On that day by a vote of ninety-four ayes to three noes the authorized and accredited

delegates of fifteen Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America, in convention assembled, adopted the following resolution:

"Be it resolved, by the delegates of the several Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the slave-holding States, in General Convention assembled, That it is right, expedient, and necessary to erect the Annual Conferences represented in this Convention into a distinct ecclesiastical connection, separate from the jurisdiction of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as at present constituted; and, accordingly, we, the delegates of said Annual Conferences, acting under the provisional plan of separation adopted by the General Conference of 1844, do solemnly declare the jurisdiction hitherto exercised over said Annual Conferences by the General Conference of the M. E. Church, entirely dissolved; and that said Annual Conferences shall be, and they hereby are constituted, a separate ecclesiastical connection, under the provisional plan of separation aforesaid, and based upon the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, comprehending the doctrines and entire moral, ecclesiastical, and economical rules and regulations of said Discipline, except, only, in so far as verbal alterations may be necessary to a distinct organization, and to be known by the style and title of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

This resolution was the first of two concluding the elaborate report presented by the Committee on Organization appointed fifteen days before on motion of John Early and William A. Smith. Of this committee, Dr. Henry B. Bascom was chairman; it was composed of thirty members, two from each of the fifteen Annual Conferences represented in the Convention, as follows: Kentucky, Henry B. Bascom and Edward Stevenson; Missouri, William Patton and Andrew Monroe; Holston, Thomas K. Catlett and Thomas Stringfield; Tennessee, Robert Paine and Fountain E. Pitts; North Carolina, Hezekiah G. Leigh and Peter Doub; Memphis, George W. D. Harris and Moses Brock; Arkansas, John Harrel and John F. Truslow; Virginia, John Early and William A. Smith; Mississippi, William Winans and Benjamin M. Drake; Texas, Francis Wilson and Lyttleton Fowler; Alabama, Jefferson Hamilton and Jesse Boring; Georgia, Lovick Pierce and Augustus B. Longstreet; South Carolina, William Capers and William M. Wightman; Florida, Thomas C. Benning and Peyton P. Smith; and Indian Mission, Edward T. Peery and David B. Cumming.

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took a step in advance by providing for a commission, and appointing commissioners, to adjust pending differences. When the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, held at Baltimore, in 1876, had responded with similar action, the Joint Commissions assembled in Cape May, New Jersey, in August, 1876, and adopted without a dissenting voice a Declaration and Basis of Fraternity as follows:

Status of the Methodist Episcopal Church and of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and their Co-ordinate Relations as Legitimate Branches of Episcopal Methodism.

Each of said Churches is a legitimate branch of Episcopal Methodism in the United States, having a common origin in the Methodist Episcopal Church, organized in 1784; and since the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was consummated in 1845 by the voluntary exercise of the right of the Southern Annual Conferences, ministers and members, to adhere to that communion, it has been an evangelical church, reared on Scriptural foundations, and her ministers and members, with those of the Methodist Episcopal Church, have constituted one Methodist family, though in distinct ecclesiastical connections.

Biography.

The biography of a useful man must itself be useful.
—*Atticus G. Haygood.*

Every truth that enters the world enters through an individual, a conscious, reasonable, moral man; and it depends upon the quality of the man the measure of good he brings.—*A. M. Fairbairn.*

Nothing in Nature weeps its lot,
Nothing save man abides in memory,
Forgetful that the Past is what
Ourselves may choose the coming time to be.
—*James Russell Lowell.*

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

Believing that Southern Methodism is entitled to the salient facts in the lives of her public servants, from those highest in official position even to the humblest, we have prepared the following, not as biographies, but as bare life-sketches which will give a general idea of the life of each subject.

This is only the first part of a biographical history in outline of Southern Methodism. Of course we began with our Bishops and connectional officers. We have followed with the editors of our Conference organs, not because these take precedence of others, but because it was natural and convenient to do so. Providence permitting, the next Southern Methodist Handbook will take up other public servants, beginning with our educators.

We regret that we were not able to obtain from some all the data asked for and from others any data at all. This explains abridgments and omissions.

BISHOPS.

JOHN CHRISTIAN KEENER.

Born in Baltimore, February 7, 1819. At the age of nine entered Wilbraham Academy in which he studied for three years under Dr. Wilbur Fisk. He was a member of the first graduating class formed in Wesleyan University, Conn. He graduated in this institution in 1835. He was converted in 1838. He was licensed to preach in 1841. He preached in Alabama seven years. He served as pastor and Presiding Elder in New Orleans until 1862. Was made superintendent of chaplains in the Confederate Army. From 1865 to 1870, he was Presiding Elder in New Orleans and editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate. Elected Bishop in 1870. He organized the Mexican Mission in 1873. He is the author of "Post Oak Circuit" and "Studies of Bible Truths." His present place of residence is New Orleans.

ALPHEUS WATERS WILSON.

Born in Baltimore, February 5, 1834. Educated in schools in Maryland and at Columbia College. Joined the Baltimore Con-

ference in 1854. Was at first a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but afterward connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was elected Secretary of the Board of Missions in 1878. Elected Bishop in 1882. Delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in 1881. Made Episcopal tours around the world in 1886, 1888, 1890, 1898. He is the author of "Witnesses to Christ," and other works. Present address, Baltimore, Md.

JOHN COWPER GRANBERY.

Son of Richard Allen and Ann Leslie Granbery. Born December 5, 1829, in Norfolk, Va. Youthful days were spent at home in Norfolk. Received his A. B. degree at Randolph-Macon College in 1848, where he spent two and one-half years. Received A. M. from same institution. Received honorary degree of D. D. from same institution in 1819. First marriage to Jenny Massie in 1858. One child. Married in 1882 to Ella Winston. Eight children. Was licensed to preach at Randolph-Macon College in 1847. Has been a member only of the Virginia Conference. Delegate to General Conference of 1866, 1870, 1874, and 1882. Trustee of Randolph-Macon College and Vanderbilt University. List of Conference appointments: Eastville Circuit, 1848-1849; Farmville, 1849-1850; Church Street, Lynchburg, 1850-'51-'52; Loudon Circuit, 1853-1854; Randolph-Macon and Boydton, 1854, 1855, and 1856; Charlottesville, 1856-1857; Washington City, 1857, 1858, and 1859; Chaplain University of Virginia, 1859, 1860, and 1861; Chaplain and Missionary to Confederate Army, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, and 1865; Market Street, Petersburg, 1865, 1866, 1867, and 1868; Centenary, Richmond, 1868, 1869, 1870, and 1871; Broad Street, Richmond, 1872, 1873, 1874, and 1875; Professor of Moral Philosophy and Practical Theology in Vanderbilt University, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880, 1881, and 1882. Elected Bishop in 1882. Released from official duty in 1902. Present place of residence, Ashland, Va.

WILLIAM WALLACE DUNCAN.

Born in Boydton, Va., December 20, 1839. He was educated at Randolph-Macon and Wofford College. Graduated in the latter institution in June, 1858. He was married to Miss Medora Rice, March 19, 1861. He joined the Virginia Conference in 1859. During the Civil War he was a chaplain in the Confederate Army. From 1875 to 1878 he was Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy in Wofford College. He was a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in 1891. He was elected Bishop in 1886. Place of residence, Spartanburg, S. C.

CHARLES BETTS GALLOWAY.

Born in Kosciusko, Miss., September 1, 1849. Son of Dr. C. B. and E. A. Galloway. Boyhood days spent in towns of Kosciusko and Canton, Miss. Attended graded school until he entered the University of Mississippi in 1865, from which he graduated in 1868. Licensed to preach in November, 1869, in Mississippi Conference. Joined the Mississippi Conference, and afterwards became a member of the North Mississippi Conference. Married September 1, 1869, to Harriet E. Galloway. Two sons and three daughters. Editor New Orleans Christian Advocate, 1882-1886. Elected Bishop 1886. Author of following works: Life of Bishop Linus Parker, Methodism a Child of Providence. A Circuit of the Globe, Modern Missions: Their Evidential Value, The American Commonwealth. Member of the Ecumenical Conferences in Washington, D. C., and London, England. Fraternal messenger to General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada. Has visited officially Brazil twice, Mexico twice, and China and Japan three times. Member of State Board of Trust, and Mississippi Historical Commission. Received honorary degree of D. D. from University of Mississippi; LL. D. from Northwestern University and Tulane University. Present place of residence, Jackson, Miss.

EUGENE RUSSELL HENDRIX.

Born at Fayette, Mo., March 17, 1847. Son of Adam and Isabella Jane Murray Hendrix. Spent his earlier days in his father's bank at Fayette. Attended Central College six years, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., three years, and Union Seminary, two years. Received degrees of A. B. and A. M. from Wesleyan University in 1867 and 1870, respectively. Received degree of D. D. from Emory College and Wesleyan University in 1878; LL.D. from University of Missouri in 1888, University of North Carolina in 1898, Washington and Lee University in 1892. Was licensed to preach at Middleton, Conn., in 1865. Has been a member all the time of the Missouri Conference. Married in 1872 to Anna E. Scarritt. Four children. Delegate to General Conference in 1882 and 1886; Centennial Conference at Baltimore, 1884; Ecumenical Conference, London, 1881; Washington, D. C., 1891. List of appointments: Leavenworth, Kansas, 1869-1870; Macon, Mo., 1870-1872; St. Joseph, Mo., 1872-1876; traveling companion Bishop Marvin in 1876-1877. President of Central College, 1878-1886. Elected Bishop in 1886. Author of following works: Around the World (1877); Skilled Labor for the Master (1900); Personality of the Holy Spirit (1903); The Religion of the Incarna-

tion (1903). Special preacher at Cornell University in 1896; at Princeton University in 1905. Present residence address, 3242, Norledge Place, Kansas City.

JOSEPH STAUNTON KEY.

Born at LaGrange, Ga., July 18, 1829. Son of Rev. Caleb Witt and Elizabeth Key. Boyhood days spent in Methodist parsonage. Attended the academies until he entered Emory College from which he graduated in 1848. Received degrees of A. B. and A. M. from this institution. Licensed to preach in 1848. Joined Georgia Conference in 1849. On division of Conference, he became a member of the South Georgia Conference. Married in 1851 to Miss Susie M. Snyder, who died in 1891. In 1893, married to Mrs. Lucy Kidd, who for nineteen years has been the successful President of North Texas Female College at Sherman, Texas. Elected Bishop in 1886. Up to this time was pastor and Presiding Elder in the Georgia Conferences. Received honorary degree of D. D. from University of Georgia. President residence, Sherman, Texas.

OSCAR PENN FITZGERALD.

Born in Caswell County, N. C., August 24, 1829. Son of Richard and Martha Jones Hooper Fitzgerald. Earlier part of boyhood days spent in Caswell County; the latter part in a printing office in Lynchburg, Va. Attended the country schools. Was licensed to preach in Macon, Ga., in 1853. Joined the Georgia Conference and was later transferred to the Pacific Conference. Married Sarah Banks. Seven children, four of whom are now living. The following places served: Savannah, Ga.; Sonora, San Jose, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, Stockton, California. Superintendent Public Instruction, State of California, from 1867 to 1871. Elected by the people. Editor of the Pacific Methodist and Christian Spectator on Pacific Coast. Elected editor of the Christian Advocate in 1878. Elected Bishop in 1890. Received degree of D. D. from Southern University. Class leader of McKendree Church while editor of the Christian Advocate. Life Chaplain of the Tennessee Press Association. Author of the following works: Christian Growth, Inner Room Meditations, Bible Nights, Sunset Views, Fifty Years, Life of McFerrin, Dr. Summers: A Life Study, Glimpses of Truth, California Sketches, Centenary Cameos. President place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.



1. REV. H. M. DuBOSE, D.D., Epworth League Secretary and Editor of the Epworth Era.
2. REV. H. M. HAMILL, D D, Superintendent of Training Work.
3. REV. J. J. TIGERT, D.D., LL.D., Book Editor and Editor of the Quarterly Review.
4. REV. J. L. CUNINGGIM, Director of Correspondence School.



WARREN AKIN CANDLER.

Son of Samuel Charles and Martha Beale Candler. Born in Carroll County, Ga., August 23, 1857. His boyhood days were spent on a farm until 1873, when he entered Emory College. He spent two years in this institution, graduating therefrom in 1875. He was licensed to preach at Social Circle, Ga., May 15, 1875. He served Sparta Station as a supply until Conference. He entered the North Georgia Conference at its ensuing session. He was married to Miss Antoinette Cartwright, November 21, 1877. Five children. The following are the Conference appointments served. Fall of 1875, Sparta Station; 1876, junior preacher on Newton Circuit; 1877, Watkinsville Circuit; 1878, 1879, and 1880, Merritt's Avenue Church, Atlanta; 1881, Presiding Elder Dahlonga District; 1882, Sparta Station; 1883, 1884, and 1885, and until July 1886, St. Johns, Augusta; July, 1886, to July, 1888, Assistant Editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate; July, 1888, until June, 1898, President of Emory College. He was also Presiding Elder of Oxford District in 1894. Elected Bishop at Baltimore General Conference in 1898. Received degrees of A. B., A. M., D. D., and LL.D., from Emory College. He was a member of the General Conference of 1886, 1890, 1894, and 1898; of the Ecumenical Conference in Washington City. He is author of the following works: "Christus Auctor," "High Living and High Lives," and "Great Revivals and the Great Republic." Present residence, Atlanta, Ga.

HENRY CLAY MORRISON.

Born in Montgomery County, Tenn., May 30, 1842. Son of Robert Ray and Mary Ann Duvall Morrison. Boyhood days spent on a farm in his native county. He was educated at home by specially employed teachers. Received degree of D. D. from Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical College in 1882. A teacher in early life. Married in 1868 to Mrs. M. E. Ray. Two living children. Licensed to preach in 1863. Has been a member of the Louisville and the North Georgia Conference. Five times a delegate to the General Conference. List of appointments: 1865-1866, Millerstown Circuit; 1866-1867, Bardstown Station; 1867-1868, Elizabethtown Station; 1868-1869, Elizabethtown Station; 1869: 1870, and 1871, Middletown, Ky.; 1872, 1873, 1874, and 1875, Shelby Street, Louisville, Ky.; 1876, 1877, 1878, and 1879, Broadway, Louisville; 1880, 1881, 1882, and 1883, Chestnut Street, Louisville; 1883, 1884, and 1885, Russellville, Ky.; 1886, 1887, 1888, and 1889, First Church, Atlanta, Ga.; 1890-1898, Missionary Secretary; 1898, elected

Bishop. Was an invalid for a number of years in early life. Was reported dead at one time and obituary published. Now in excellent health. Present place of residence, 1445 Henry Clay Avenue, New Orleans.

ELIJAH EMBREE HOSS.

Son of Henry and Anna Sevier Hoss. Born in Washington County, Tenn., April 14, 1849. He spent his boyhood days up to the age of fifteen in working and going to school. He attended Martin Academy, Jonesboro, Tenn., for several years. He attended Ohio Wesleyan University for two years, and Emory and Henry College one year. He received his A. B. and A. M. degree from Emory and Henry. He was licensed to preach at Jonesboro, Tenn., Holston Conference, in 1866. He was married to Miss Abbie B. Clark, November 19, 1872. Three children. From 1872 to 1875, he was a member of the Pacific Conference. He was a member of the General Conference of 1882, 1886, 1890, 1894, 1898, 1902, and a member of the Ecumenical Conferences of 1891 and 1901. The following is a list of the Conference appointments served by him: Jonesboro, Tenn., 1869-1870; Knoxville, Church Street, 1870-1872; San Francisco, 1872-1874; President Pacific Methodist College, Santa Rosa, Cal., 1874-1875; Asheville, N. C., 1875-1876; Professor in Martha Washington College, 1876-1878; President Martha Washington College, 1878-1881; President and Professor Emory and Henry College, 1881-1885; Vanderbilt University, 1885-1890. Elected editor Nashville Christian Advocate by General Conference of 1890; elected Bishop in 1902. Place of residence, Dallas, Texas.

ALEXANDER COKE SMITH.

Son of Rev. Wm. Hankins and Mary Isabella Smith. Born at Lynchburg, S. C., September 16, 1849. Boyhood days spent chiefly in the country in working on a farm and going to the country schools. Entered Wofford College in 1868, from which he graduated in 1872. Licensed to preach in Spartanburg, S. C., in 1871. Joined South Carolina Conference in 1872. Transferred to the Virginia Conference in 1892. Married in 1875 to Miss Kate Kinard. Eight children. List of appointments: Cheraw, S. C., 1873; Washington Street, Columbia, S. C., 1874, 1875, and 1876; Greenville, S. C., 1877, 1878, 1879, and 1880; Trinity, Charleston, S. C., 1881, 1882, and 1883; Presiding Elder Columbia District, 1884-1885, and to June, 1886; Professor in Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., from June, 1886, to June, 1890; elected Assistant Missionary Secre-

tary at General Conference, St. Louis, 1890; resigned in August, 1890, to accept chair of Practical Theology in Vanderbilt University; returned to pastoral work June, 1892, and stationed at Granby Street, Norfolk, Va., 1892, 1893, 1894, and 1895; Court Street, Lynchburg, Va., 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899; Epworth, Norfolk, 1900-1902; elected Bishop in 1902. Received degree of A. M. from Wofford College in 1874; D. D. from Erskine College in 1888; LL. D. from Kentucky Wesleyan University in 1905. Member of the Centennial Conference in Baltimore, 1884; General Conferences, 1890, 1894, 1898, and 1902; Ecumenical Conference, Washington, D. C., 1891; London, 1901. President place of residence, Asheville, Va.

AGENTS, EDITORS, SECRETARIES.

ANDREW J. LAMAR,

Assistant Book Agent.

Born in Walton County, Ga., May 29, 1847. Parents were Andrew J. and Mary Jackson Lamar. His boyhood days were spent in school, mainly at Athens, Ga. He received his education in the University High School at Athens and in the University of Georgia. From the latter institution he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws. He was a lawyer before he was licensed to preach, which was in Letohatchee, Ala., in 1874. He was married to Miss Martha Ellsworth, of Mobile, Ala., January 8, 1878. He was married the second time to Miss Mary Urquhart, of Selma, Ala., June 9, 1897. One child. After being licensed to preach, he joined the Alabama Conference, of which he is now a member. He was elected Book Agent in 1903, while he was serving as Presiding Elder of the Mobile District. He received the degree of D. D. from the Southern University. He was a member of the General Conferences of 1890, 1894, 1898, and 1902; also of the Ecumenical Conference in London in 1901. His present residence is Nashville, Tenn.

JOHN JAMES TIGERT,

Book Editor and Editor "The Methodist Review."

Born in Louisville, Ky., November 25, 1856. Son of John James and Mary Van Veghten Tigert. His early years were spent in Louisville, Ky. In this city he spent ten years in the High Schools. He graduated at Vanderbilt University, in which institution he spent four years. He was a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville for two years. He was licensed to preach in September, 1875, by

Broadway Quarterly Conference. The following is a list of his Conference appointments: 1877, mission pastor, Louisville; 1878-1881, pastor Franklin Station; 1881-1890, Tutor and Professor in Vanderbilt University; 1890-1894, Kansas City; 1894, elected Book Editor and Editor of the Methodist Review. Editor, educator and author. Received degree of D. D. from Emory and Henry; LL. D. from the University of Missouri. He was married August 28, 1878, to Miss Amelia McTyeire. Six children. He is now secretary of the Louisville Annual Conference. He was a member of the General Conference of 1890, 1894, 1898, and 1902. He was secretary of the General Conference of 1898 and 1902. Member of the Ecumenical Conference of 1901, before which body he read a paper which received much favorable comment in England and Germany. He is the author of the following works: Constitutional History of American Episcopal Methodism, Handbook of Logic, Systematic Theology, The Preacher Himself, Passing Through the Gates, A Manual of Christian Doctrine, The Journal of Thomas Coke, A Voice From the South, Theology and Philosophy. Place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

GEORGE BEVERLY WINTON,

Editor Christian Advocate.

Born in Springfield, Mo., January 12, 1861. Son of George Mitchell and Amanda Faulkner Winton. Boyhood days spent on a farm near Springfield, and in the college town of Morrisville, Mo. Spent six years in Morrisville College, two years in Vanderbilt University. Received degree of A. M. from Morrisville College in 1881. Licensed to preach in 1880 in S. W. Missouri Conference. Has been a member of the S. W. Missouri, Pacific, Central Mexico, and Mexican Border Conferences. Married in 1884 to Jessie McLean. Four children. Delegate to General Conference in 1902. List of appointments: Walker Circuit (S. W. Missouri Conference), 1883-1884; President of Pacific Methodist College, 1885, 1886, and 1887; Missionary in Mexico in 1888-1902, holding following positions: Editor Evangelista Mexicano, President Theological Seminary, Presiding Elder. Elected editor Christian Advocate in 1902. Received honorary degree of D. D. in 1902 from Southwestern University, Southern University, and Randolph-Macon. Present place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

JAMES ATKINS,

Sunday School Editor.

Son of Rev. James and Mary F. Atkins. Born in Knoxville, Tenn., April 18, 1850. Boyhood days spent in East Tennessee,

and Southwest Virginia. Received his education at Riceville Academy and Emory and Henry College. Licensed to preach in 1870 and became a member of the Holston Conference. Married to Ella Branner in 1876. Three children living. List of appointments: 1872-1873 junior preacher, Morristown and Mossy Creek Station; 1873-1875, Jonesboro Station; 1875-1876, Abingdon Station; 1876-1878, Asheville Station; 1878-1879, Abingdon; 1879-1889, President Asheville Female College; 1889-1893, President Emory and Henry College; 1893-1896, Asheville Female College; 1896-1906, Sunday School Editor. Originator of the Bible Teachers Study Circle, which is being taken up by other churches. Author of several books and pamphlets on Sunday School subjects. Member of the General Conference of 1890, 1894, 1898, and 1902. Received degree of A. M. and D. D. from Emory and Henry College. Present residence, Nashville, Tenn.

HORACE MILLARD DU BOSE,

Secretary Epworth League and Editor "Epworth Era."

Son of Rev. Hezekiah and Amanda Hawkins Du Bose. Born in Choctaw County, Alabama, November 7, 1858. Boyhood days spent partly on a farm and partly in town with his father in the mercantile business. Education received in primary schools, in Waynesboro Academy (four years) and under private tutors. Converted in 1866. Licensed to preach (Mississippi Conference) October 1, 1876. Became pastor at the age of nineteen. Married twice. First, to Miss Rosa Chaney, one child; again, to Miss G. V. Amis, three children. List of appointments: Mississippi Conference, 1878-1879, Chotard Circuit; 1880, Fayette Circuit; Texas Conference, 1851-1852, St. James Church, Galveston; 1883-1884, Huntsville; 1885-1886, Shearn Church, Houston; 1887-1888, Marvin Church, Tyler; Los Angeles Conference, 1889-1890, Trinity Church, Los Angeles; 1890-1894, Editor Pacific Methodist Advocate; East Texas Conference, 1895-1896, Marvin Church, Tyler; Mississippi Conference, 1897, First Church, Jackson. Elected Secretary Epworth League 1898. Has been a delegate to three General Conferences. Member of the Ecumenical Conference of 1901. Member of World Sunday School Convention. Vice-President of National Educational Association. Received degree of D. D. from Emory and Henry College. Present residence Nashville, Tenn.

FITZGERALD SALE PARKER,

Assistant Secretary Epworth League and Assistant Editor
"Epworth Era."

Born in Parish of Caddo, Louisiana, March 16, 1863. Parents, Linus and Ellen Katherine Burriss Parker. Boyhood days spent chiefly in the city of New Orleans. Attended University High School in New Orleans until 1879. Entered University of Louisiana in 1879, New England Conservatory of Music in 1882. Attended Tulane University 1886-1887. Honorary degree of D. D. conferred by Centenary College of Louisiana in 1903. Followed commercial life from 1880 to 1882 and again from 1883 to 1885. Licensed to preach in 1885 by Quarterly Conference of Louisiana Avenue Church, New Orleans. On trial Louisiana Conference, 1886-1887. Received into full connection in Los Angeles Conference in fall of 1887. Transferred to Western Texas Conference in 1889. Married Lucy Irwin Paxton of Vicksburg, Miss., April 17, 1903. Two children. Member of the Joint Hymnal Commission. List of appointments: Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans, La. Conference, 1886-1887; Santa Ana, California, 1887-1888; Trinity, El Paso., 1888-1889; New Iberia, La., 1890-1893; Dryades Street, New Orleans, 1894-1896; Lake Providence, La., 1897-1898; Jackson, La., 1899-1900; Presiding Elder Baton Rouge District, Louisiana Conference, 1900-1901; Crowley, La., 1902-1903; Assistant Secretary Epworth League Board, 1904-1905. Place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

WALTER RUSSELL LAMBUTH,

Secretary Board of Missions.

Son of James William and Mary McClellan Lambuth. Born in Shanghai, China, November 10, 1854. Eight years of his boyhood days were spent in China, two years in New York, two years in Mississippi, two years in Tennessee, and three years in Virginia. Attended the following institutions of learning: Cumberland University, Emory and Henry College, University of Nashville, Vanderbilt University, Medical Department of the University of New York, at which latter place he received the degree of M. D., in 1882. Emory College conferred B. S. and M. A. degrees in 1875. M. A. Degree conferred by Vanderbilt University in 1877. Honorary degree of D. D. conferred by Emory College and Randolph-Macon in 1892. Licensed to preach in 1875. Married to Miss Daisy Kelly in 1877. Three children. The following compose the list of his appointments: Woodbine, Junior Pastor McKendree, Nashville, Tenn.; Nantsiang, China; Soochow, China.

Surgeon in Charge Soochow Hospital; Superintendent Japan Mission, 1886-1890. Elected Secretary Board of Missions by the Board in 1892; again by General Conference in 1894; again in 1898; again in 1902. Member of the Ecumenical Conference in Washington, 1891; in London, 1901. Member of Missionary Conference in New York, 1900. Present place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

SETH WARD,

Assistant Secretary Board of Missions.

Son of Samuel Goode and Sarah Ann Wyche Ward. Born in Leon County, Texas. November 1, 1858. Boyhood days were spent in work on a Texas farm. Attended the public schools. Received honorary degree of D. D. from Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas. Licensed to preach November 6, 1881, in Leon County, at that time a part of the Northwestern Texas Conference. Now a member of Texas Conference. Joined the Northwestern Texas Conference. Married January 5, 1886, to Margaret E. South. Two children. Member of the General Conference of 1894, 1898, and 1902. Appointed a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference of 1901. List of appointments: 1882, Junior Preacher, Groesbek Circuit, Northwestern Texas Conference; 1883, Junior Preacher, Centerville Circuit, Texas Conference; 1884, Pastor Kosse Circuit; 1885-1886, Pastor Calvert and Hearne; 1887-1890, Pastor St. James Church, Galveston; 1891-1894, Pastor Huntsville Station; 1895-1896, Presiding Elder Houston District; 1897-1899, Shearn Church, Houston; 1900, Agent for Twentieth Century Fund; 1901-1902, Central Church, Galveston. Since May, 1902, has been Assistant Missionary Secretary. Present place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

PETER HARRISON WHISNER,

Secretary Board of Church Extension.

Son of Jacob and Margaret Whisner, was born in Morgan County, Virginia (now West Virginia). He spent his boyhood days on a farm. Was converted at the age of thirteen. Attended Dickinson College from 1856 to 1860, at which institution he graduated. The days of his early manhood were spent in teaching. He was licensed to preach in Baltimore while a college student. His first wife was Louisa Avey. His second wife was Virginia Louisa Childs. No children. After receiving license to preach he joined the Baltimore Conference. He served the following charges: 1861-1863, Junior Preacher on Rockingham Circuit; 1863-1864, Junior Preacher

on Salem Circuit; 1864-1866, Lewisburg, West Virginia; 1866-1868, Lexington; 1868-1871, Blacksburg; 1871-1875, Rockville Circuit; 1875-1878, Presiding Elder Moorefield District; 1878-1881, Central; 1881-1882, Charlestown; 1882-1886, Presiding Elder Winchester District; 1886-1890, Presiding Elder Baltimore District; 1890-1894, Presiding Elder Roanoke District; 1894-1895, Beuna Vista; 1895-1898, Presiding Elder Rockingham District; 1898, elected Corresponding Secretary Board of Church Extension. He was a member of the General Conference of 1878, 1886, 1894, 1898, and 1902. He received the degree of D. D. from Randolph-Macon College. His present place of residence is Louisville, Kentucky.

JOHN D. HAMMOND,

Secretary of Education.

Son of D. F. and A. E. Robinson Hammond. Born at Franklin, Ga., May 12, 1850. Attended such schools as were available in boyhood. Early life spent mostly in Middle Georgia. Attended the State University of Georgia 1867-1870; Drew Theological Seminary, 1872-1875. Received his A. B. degree from University of Georgia in 1870; B. D. from Drew Theological Seminary in 1875. Licensed to preach in 1871 by Quarterly Conference of Trinity Church, Atlanta. Joined North Georgia Conference, but afterwards became a member of the St. Louis and the Missouri Conference. Is now a member of the North Georgia. Was married in 1879 to Lily Hardy. Three children. List of appointments: In the North Georgia Conference: Dahlonga, Oconee Street, Athens; Edgewood, Atlanta; Forsyth, First Church, Athens; Presiding Elder Athens District.

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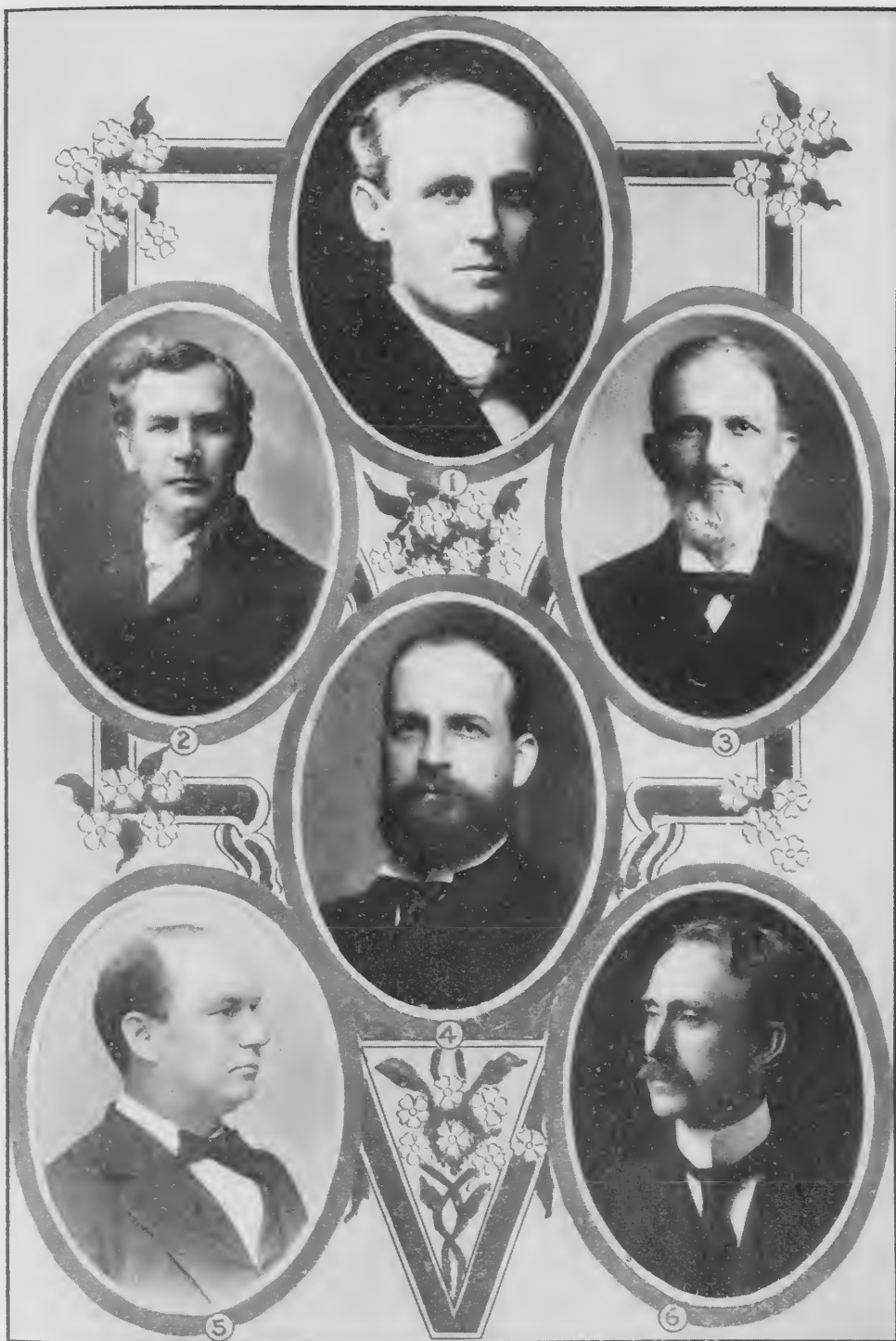
In the North Georgia Conference: President Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga.; Secretary of Education, M. E. Church, South.

Received degree of D. D. from Central College in 1887. Member of the General Conference of 1886, 1890, 1894, 1898, 1902; Ecumenical Conference of 1891 and 1901. Present place of residence, 200 Twenty-fourth Street, Nashville, Tenn.

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on Salem Circuit; 1864-1866, Lewisburg, West Virginia; 1866-1868, Lexington; 1868-1871, Blacksburg; 1871-1875, Rockville Circuit; 1875-1878, Presiding Elder Moorefield District; 1878-1881, Central; 1881-1882, Charlestown; 1882-1886, Presiding Elder Winchester District; 1886-1890, Presiding Elder Baltimore District; 1890-1894, Presiding Elder Roanoke District; 1894-1895, Beuna Vista; 1895-1898, Presiding Elder Rockingham District; 1898, elected Corresponding Secretary Board of Church Extension. He was a member of the General Conference of 1878, 1886, 1894, 1898, and 1902. He received the degree of D. D. from Randolph-Macon College. His present place of residence is Louisville, Kentucky.

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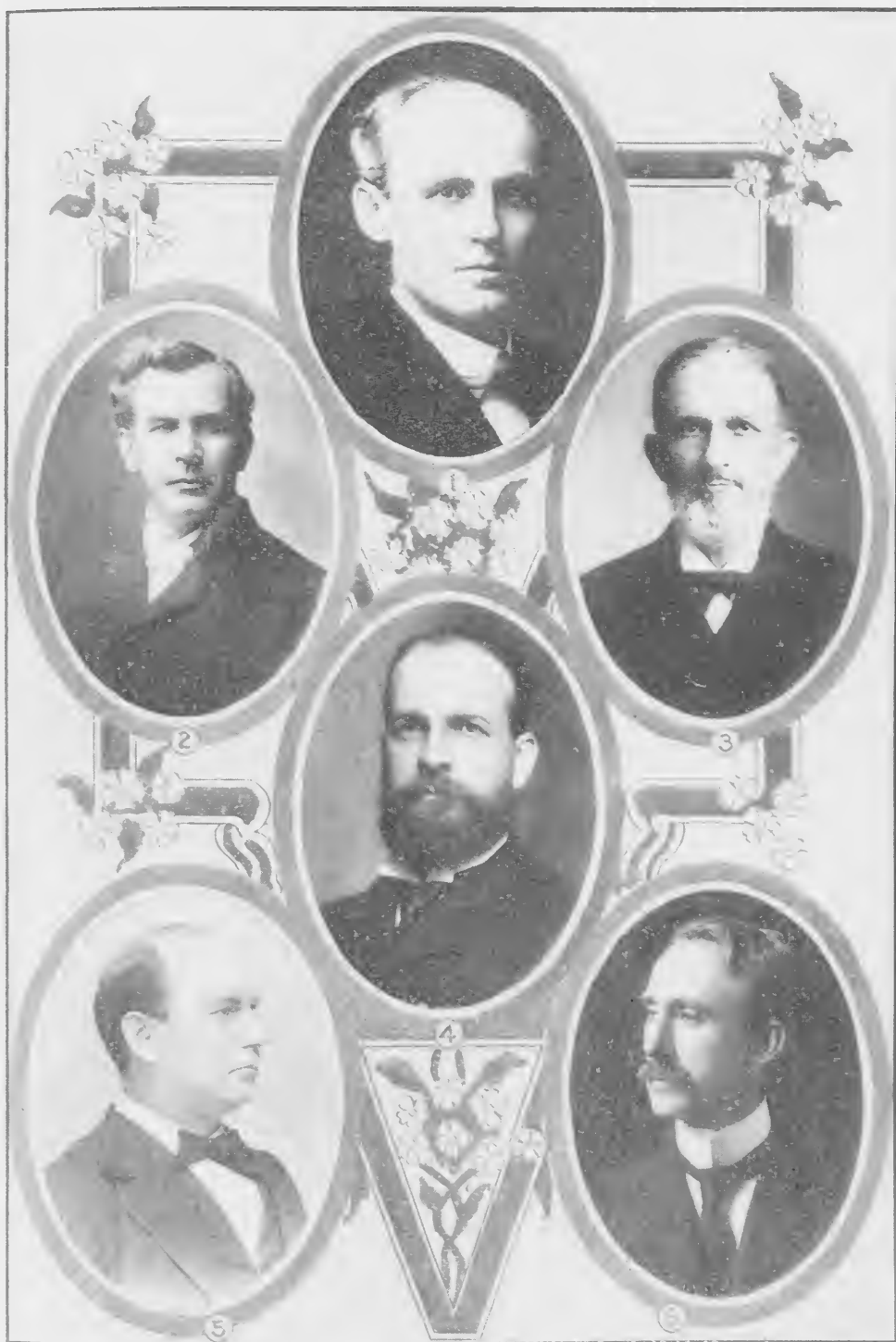
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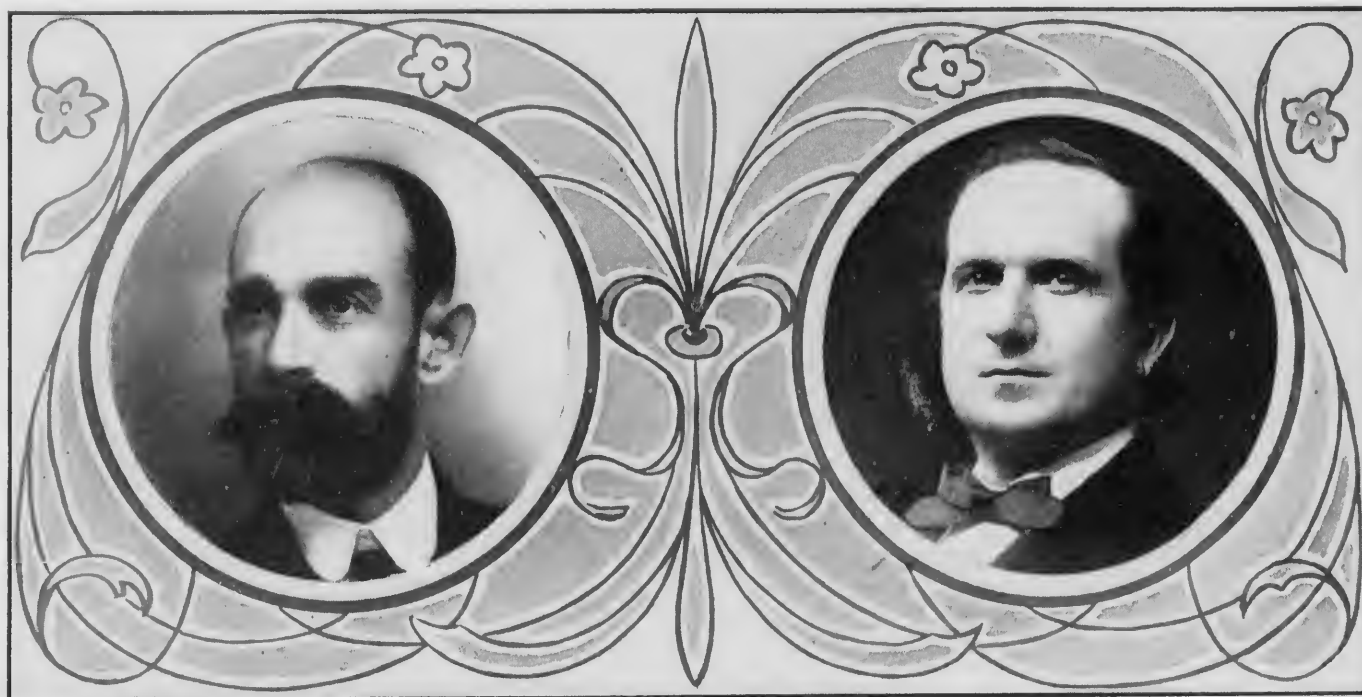
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1. R. S. HYER, LL.D., President of Southwestern University, Texas.
2. REV. JAMES E. DICKIE, D.D., President of Emory College, Georgia.

sonages. Attended Tuskegee Academy two years; Statons Academy, four years; East Alabama College, four years. Was under Lee in Confederate Army 1864-1865. Licensed to preach in 1885. Joined Illinois Conference. Married in 1885. One child. In Sunday School work during all his ministry. At one time Chairman International Sunday School Convention. President Missouri State Teachers' Association. Appointed Superintendent Training Work by General Conference of 1902. Voluminous author on Sunday-school subjects. Eight books published. Greatly in demand as Sunday School lecturer. Regarded internationally as a Sunday-school expert. Received degree of A. M. from Auburn College in 1870; D. D. from Illinois College in 1898. Now a member of the Tennessee Conference. Present place of residence, Nashville, Tenn.

EDITORS OF CONFERENCE ORGANS.

JOSEPH DUDLEY ELLIS,

Editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate.

Son of Rev. George F. and Martha J. Ellis, and born in Marengo County, Alabama, March 29, 1866. Boyhood days spent on the farm and in country schools. Entered Southern University, Greensboro, Alabama, in 1883, in which he spent four years. Received degree of A. M. in Southern University in 1887. He was converted when a boy and was licensed to preach May 4, 1889. He joined the North Alabama Conference in the fall of 1889. He was married to Miss Mamie F. Chadwick, of Greensboro, Alabama, November 7, 1888. Six children. He has served the following appointments: New Market, Alabama, 1889, 1890, 1891; Principal Huntsville District High School 1892; East Lake Station, 1893, 1894, 1895, and 1896; Avondale Station, 1897, 1898, 1899; First Church, Decatur, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903; First Church, Anniston, 1904; elected Editor Alabama Christian Advocate October 10, 1905. He is the author of "Tried, Vindicated, Liberated"; also of "Wesley Mullens, Linwood Circuit," which is a religious romance. Will be soon in press. His place of residence, Birmingham, Alabama.

WILLIAM EDWIN VAUGHN.

Editor Pacific Methodist Advocate.

Son of Mell D. and Cera J. Vaughn and was born January 15, 1863, at Pantatoc, Mississippi. His boyhood days were spent on a farm. He graduated at Emory College, Georgia, in

1888. He spent four years in this institution. He was licensed to preach May 2, 1882, in Aberdeen District, North Mississippi Conference. He joined the South Georgia Conference. He was married February 14, 1889, to Miss Eugenia Kendrick. Six children. The following is a list of appointments served by him: Jeffersonville Circuit, South Georgia Conference, one year, 1888-1889; Centenary, Macon, Ga., 1889-1891; Bellevue, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Conference, 1891-1892; Phoenix, Arizona, 1892-1893; Presiding Elder Arizona District, 1893-1897; Sacramento, California, 1897-1901; elected Editor of Pacific Methodist Advocate in May, 1901. He was a member of the General Conference at Dallas, Texas, in 1902. His place of residence is San Francisco, California.

JOHN BRANDON LEY,

Editor Florida Christian Advocate

Son of John Cole and Martha Pottle Ley. Born in Thomasville, Ga., September 23, His boyhood days were spent in a parsonage home with his parents. He was licensed to preach August 10, 1876, in the Florida Conference. He was married January 14, 1880, to Mary Estelle Roux. Of this union there were seven children, five of whom are living. He has served the following appointments in the Florida Conference: Enterprise Mission, Fernandina Station, Key West, Waukulla Mission, St. Matthews, Jacksonville, Palatka, Kissimmee, Ocala, Gainesville, Tallahassee (First Church), Tampa; Presiding Elder Tallahassee District, Editor Florida Christian Advocate. Has raised for parsonages and schools \$35,000. During seventeen years of pastoral work he has received into the church one person for every Sunday. He is a trustee of Wesleyan Female College, Florida Seminary. He was a member of the World's Missionary Conference and a delegate to three of the International League Conferences. His present address is Live Oak, Florida.

JOHN SUMMERFIELD ENGLE,

Son of Rev. J. J. and M. Belle Engle. Born at Churchville, Va., June 26, 1869. His boyhood days were spent in a Methodist parsonage, his father having been preacher-in-charge of various fields in the Baltimore Conference. He was a student in Randolph-Macon College one year; Roanoke College, two years; and in Johns Hopkins University two years. He received the degrees of A. B. and A. M. from Roanoke College. He was married to Miss Anna Miller April 13, 1902. He has

served the following charges in the Baltimore Conference: Brucetown Circuit, Middletown Station; Grace, Roanoke; Arlington, Baltimore; Front Royal, Salem, Emmanuel, Baltimore. He was elected Editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist in 1903. He is author of "Analytic Psychology and Synthetic Philosophy." Present place of residence, Baltimore, Md.

WILLIAM CUYLER LOVETT,

Editor Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

Son of Robert Watkins and Elizabeth Mason Lovett. Born in Americus, Ga., November 27, 1852. His boyhood days were spent in Newton and Screven Counties, Georgia. He attended Emory College, and received the degree of A. B. from this institution in 1874. He received the honorary degree of D. D. from Southern University in 1894. He was licensed to preach at Emory College, North Georgia Conference, in the spring of 1874. He was married in 1877; again married in 1898. There are six children. He has served the following charges in the South Georgia Conference: 1875, Gordon Circuit; 1876-1877, Macon Circuit; 1878-1879-1880, Fort Gaines Circuit; 1881-1882, St. Paul, Columbus; 1883-1884, Talbotton; 1885-1886, Wesley Monumental, Savannah; 1887-1888-1889, First Church, Macon; 1890, East Macon; 1891-1892, Presiding Elder Savannah District; 1894-1895-1896, St. Paul, Columbus; 1897, 1898, Fort Valley; 1899, Thomasville; 1900, Americus District; elected Editor Wesleyan Christian Advocate in 1901. He was a member of the General Conference of 1894, and 1902. Present place of residence, 123 Forest Avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

JOHN ANDREW GODFREY RABE,

Editor Der Missions Freund.

Born in Gommeru, Prussia, February 28, 1843. Son of John Christian and Juliana Peterson Rabe. He spent his boyhood days in his native town, Gommeru, until 1851, when his parents emigrated to Texas. Spent the remaining days of his boyhood on a farm. He went to the public schools and spent one year in Soule University. He was licensed to preach in 1869. His first wife was Augusta Pfiel, whom he married in 1867. Eight children by his first wife. He was married again in 1889 to Katie M. Merkel. He served in the ranks of the Confederate Army from 1861 to 1865, having been a member of Kreuzbaner's famous Light Artillery Company. He partici-

pated in the taking of the "Wave" and Granite City in Calcasieu Pass, La., on May 6, 1865. The following is a list of appointments served: Bastrop Mission; Cross Street Church, New Orleans; Dryades Church, New Orleans; Cedar Bayou, Texas; Agent Fredericksburg College; Houston Mission; Houston Church School; District High School, Industry; Industry Mission, Travis Mission; Bellville Mission; San Antonio Mission; Cuero Mission; New Braunfels Mission; and Editor *Der Mission Freund*. Has been editor since 1894. He was a member of the Missionary Conference. He has served in three Conferences, Louisiana, Texas, and German Missions in New Orleans in 1901. Present residence, Paige, Bastrop County, Texas.

ALEXANDER COPELAND MILLAR,

Editor of the *Arkansas Methodist*.

Son of Wm. John and Ellen Caven Millar. Born at McKeesport, Pa., May 17, 1861. His boyhood days were spent principally on a farm in Linn County, Mo. He was a pupil in Brookfield Academy one year; in Central College, three and one-half years; in University of Chicago, one term. He received his A. B. degree from Central in 1885; the degree of A. M. from the same institution in 1889. He was licensed to preach in 1885 and joined the Missouri Conference. He was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Harwood, June 27, 1887. Three children. The following appointments have been served by him: 1886, President Neosho Collegiate Institute, S. W. Missouri Conference; 1887-1902, President Hendrix College, Arkansas Conference, 1899-1900, Presiding Elder Morrilton District, Arkansas Conference; 1902-1904, Professor of History, Central College; 1903, Presiding Elder Higbee Circuit; 1904 to present, Editor *Arkansas Methodist*, Little Rock Conference. He is a member of the General Board of Education, M. E. Church, South. He was a member of the Ecumenical Missionary Conference in New York City; also of the New Orleans Missionary Conference in New Orleans. He has interested himself greatly in the questions of good roads, education, and temperance in Arkansas. He is the author of "Twentieth Century Educational Problems;" also of several poems, the most noted of which is one in response to Alfred Austin's "Together." Present place of residence, Little Rock, Arkansas.

JAMES A. BURROW,
Editor Midland Methodist.

Son of James A. and Elizabeth Burrow. Born in Elizabethtown, Tenn., September 3, 1860. Boyhood days spent in going to school at Bristol, Tenn. Spent two and a half years in King College, Bristol, Tenn., and one year in Vanderbilt University. Licensed to preach October, 1884. Received on trial into the Holston Conference in 1885. The following appointments have been served by him: Cherry Street Mission, Chattanooga, two years; Athens Station, four years; Centenary, Knoxville, four years; Pulaski, Va., two years; Bluefield, West Virginia, one year; Cleveland District, four years; Midland Methodist, two and a half years while Presiding Elder; two and a half years, all of time given. Received degree of D. D. from Iliwassee College. Unmarried. Was a member of the General Conference at Dallas, Texas.

GEORGE CLARK RANKIN,
Editor Texas Christian Advocate.

Son of Creed W. and Martha Rankin. Born at Dandridge, Tennessee, November 19, 1849. Boyhood days spent in East Tennessee and North Georgia. Educated at Iliwassee College. Licensed to preach near Springplace, Ga. Married to Miss Fannie L. Denton. Six children. The following are a list of appointments: Tilton and Resaca Circuit, Georgia; Marion Circuit, Wythe Circuit, Abington, Knoxville, Asheville, Chattanooga, in Holston Conference; Kansas City, Mo., in South West Missouri Conference; Houston, in Texas Conference; Dallas, in North West Texas Conference. Elected Editor of Texas Christian Advocate in 1894. Received degree of D. D. from the University of Tennessee. Member of the General Conference of 1890 and 1902. Present residence, Dallas, Texas.

WILLIAM BEVERLY PALMORE,
Editor St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Born in Fayette County, Tennessee. Son of William P. and Elizabeth Ann Palmore. His boyhood days spent on a farm in Fayette County. Educated in private schools and in Vanderbilt University. License to preach in McKendree Church, Nashville, Tenn., in 1875. Has always belonged to the South West Missouri Conference. Served the following charges: Walnut Street, Kansas City, twice; Marshall, Missouri; Jefferson City, Mo. Has been Editor of the St. Louis

Christian Advocate for the last sixteen years. Degree of D. D. conferred upon him by Central College. Has been a member of three General Conferences and two Ecumenical. Great traveller. Has seen the whole world, excepting some islands of the sea. Has crossed the Atlantic fourteen times, made two trips over South America, three over Africa, and two over Palestine and Arabia. Has preached in nearly all the mission fields of the world. Residence address: 1414 Locust Street, St. Louis, Mo.

HUGH McLEOD BLAIR,

Editor North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Born in Caldwell County, N. C. Son of Morgan and Elizabeth McLeod Blair. Boyhood days spent alternately on farm and in the common schools. Spent two years in Rutherford College and one term in University of North Carolina. Received B. S. from Rutherford College in 1875; A. M. from the same institution in 1888. Taught school eight years before entering the ministry. Editorial work at different times. Licensed to preach in 1883. Entered the North Carolina Conference. List of appointments: 1884, Wilson Mission; 1885-1886, Rowan Circuit; 1887-1889, Farmington Circuit; 1890-1892, Forest Hill Station, Concord; 1893-1894, Mount Airy Station; 1895, editor of North Carolina Christian Advocate; 1896-1899, Presiding Elder Mount Airy District; 1900-1901, Shelby Station; became editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate, organ of the Western North Carolina Conference, of which he was a member in 1902. Married first in 1878 to Effie Bell; one child. Married second time in 1903 to Laura Ramseur. Residence, Greensboro, N. C.

JAMES CANNON, JR.,

Editor Baltimore-Richmond Christian Advocate.

Son of James and Lydia R. Primrose Cannon. Born at Salisbury, Maryland, November 13, 1864. Boyhood days spent in school and in helping in his father's business. In Salisbury school, eight years; Randolph-Macon College, four years; Princeton Theological Seminary, three years. Received A. B. from Randolph-Macon College; A. M. and B. D. from Princeton Seminary; D. D. from Randolph-Macon College. Married to Miss Lura Virginia Bennett, Aug. 1, 1888. Eight children. Received on trial into the Virginia Conference in 1888. Member of the General Conference of 1902. List of Conference appointments: Charlotte Circuit, 1888-1889; Newport News,

1889-1891; Farmville, 1891-1894; became Principal Blackstone Institute 1894; Conference Secretary Education 1897; became editor Baltimore-Richmond Christian Advocate in 1904. Ministerial life spent principally in editorial and educational work. For two years President State Anti-Saloon League of Virginia and member of the National Executive Committee. Place of residence, Blackstone, Va.

CHARLES CARROLL WOODS,

Assistant Editor St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Son of Samuel Hairston and Sicily Patterson Woods. Born at Rocky Mount, Va., July 4, 1838. Spent boyhood days in Rocky Mount and on his father's plantation in Franklin County. Entered Trinity College in 1855. Attended Central College, Mo., from 1858 to 1860. Received degree of D. D. from Trinity College in 1878. Married Anna M. Nichols July 30, 1866. Eight children. Licensed to preach at Versailles, Mo., in 1860. Member of St. Louis Conference until 1870 until the division of the same when he became a member of the Southwest Missouri Conference. Member of the General Conferences of 1882, 1886, 1894, and 1898. List of appointments: New Madrid, Warrenburg, Harrisonville, Boonville, Jefferson City, Presiding Elder Boonville District; Walnut Street, Kansas City; Lydia Avenue, Kansas City; Presiding Elder Kansas City District; Centenary, Nevada, Mo.; President of Scarritt College eight years; St. Pauls, Springfield, Mo.; Assistant Editor St. Louis Christian Advocate to date. He was a Brigade Chaplain in Confederate Army. Grand Master A. F. and A. M., Missouri; Grand High Priest of Grand Chapter in 1883-1884; Grand Prelate of Grand Commandery for thirteen years. Scottish Rite thirty-second degree. Secretary of Southwest Missouri Conference since 1876. Has probably dedicated more churches and made more general addresses than any other minister in Missouri except Bishop Hendrix, Present place of residence, St. Louis, Mo.

GEORGE HENRY WADDELL,

Editor Southern Christian Advocate.

Born at Coronaca, S. C., February 8, 1863. Son of Dr. G. H. and Mrs. E. S. Waddell. Spent his boyhood days on a farm and in county schools. He later attended Piedmont Institute and Adger College. He was licensed to preach October 19, 1884, and joined the South Carolina Conference. In

1886 he was married to Miss Carrie Lee Boulware, by whom he had six children. The following is a list of his Conference appointments: Newberry Circuit, Parksville Mission; Centenary Circuit, Yorkville Station; Chester Circuit, Camden Station; Superintendent Epworth Orphanage, Editor Southern Christian Advocate. The work by which he will be most permanently remembered is that done as Superintendent of the Epworth Orphanage. His present place of residence is Spartanburg, S. C.

MERRITT JONES COFER,

Associate Editor and Business Manager of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

Son of W. M. and Cynthia Cofer. Born at Madison, Ga., March 8, 1839. His boyhood days were spent in Morgan, Meriwether and Newton Counties. He was educated at the State University and received the degree of B. L. from that institution. He was licensed to preach, and entered the North Georgia Conference. He was married, January 13, 1892, to Miss Jane Sinclair. Two children. He has served many charges in the North Georgia Conference. He was a Presiding Elder for fourteen years. He has been a member of the General Conference; also of the International Sunday School Convention and the Y. M. C. A. National Convention. His present place of residence is Atlanta, Ga.

JAMES ARTHUR ANDERSON,

Editor of the Arkansas Methodist.

Son of Nathan J. and Martha H. Anderson, of Brownsville, Tenn. Was born November 13, 1857. When ten years of age his parents moved into the town of Brownsville, where he grew up, attending the Academy there, and spending several years of his youth as a prescriptionist in a drug store. In the fall of 1877 he entered the Vanderbilt University, choosing an elective course scattered over the academic and the theological departments. He was licensed to preach in 1877. After two years in the Vanderbilt he went to the Arkansas Conference as a supply, and joined that Conference the same year. He has served all grades of work in that Conference. Beginning as a supply on Waldron Circuit, he traveled the Sugar Loaf Circuit the next year; was stationed in Van Buren the next year; then in Alma; then in Dardanelle. In his fifth year he was made Presiding Elder of the Fayetteville District; was next on Clarksville District; and went thence to First Church,

Fort Smith; thence to Fort Smith District. Since that time he has been in the leading stations of the Arkansas Conference, except three years spent in charge of First Church, Pine Bluff, in the Little Rock Conference, till in October, 1904, he became editor of the Arkansas Methodist. He was a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference of 1891; was a member of the two General Conferences before the last, and has been for three quadrenniums a member of the General Board of Missions. During the last campaign for Governor in Arkansas he made speeches in various parts of the State in the interest of honest government and an honest Governor. He was married to Miss Mary H. Bishop, near Fort Smith, Ark., October 5, 1880. Seven children, six of whom are living. His present residence is Conway, Ark. His business office is in Little Rock.

IN MEMORIAM.

Bishop Hargrove was born in Pickens County, Ala., September 17, 1829, and died at his home in Nashville, Tenn., in the early morning hours of Friday, August 4, 1905. He was graduated from the University of Alabama in 1852 and received the degree of Master of Arts from the same school in 1855. He began his life work as adjunct Professor of Mathematics at his Alma Mater, which position he held until 1857, when he entered the ministry of the Methodist Church. He remained in the Alabama Conference until 1867, when he was transferred to the Kentucky Conference and served two years, when he was again transferred to the Tennessee Conference, where he remained until he was elected Bishop at the General Conference which met at Nashville, Tenn., in 1882. Previous to this time his most distinguished service was as one of the Commission appointed by the General Conference of 1874 to meet a similar Commission from the Methodist Episcopal Church to adjust the disputed claims of the two churches arising out of the separation of 1844. Upon this Commission Bishop Hargrove was associated with Rev. E. H. Myers, D. D., Rev. T. M. Finney, D. D., Hon. R. B. Vance, and Hon. David Clopton. The Commission met at Cape May, August, 1876, and adopted a basis of settlement which was accepted by the General Conferences of both churches at their next meeting. Bishop Hargrove was a leading spirit in this delicate and difficult work, and assisted not only with wise counsel, but by the generous impulses of his great heart to arrive at conclusions which brought the two great branches of Methodism into their present close fraternal relation. Bishop Hargrove's next great work was in connection with the bond issue which saved our Publishing House from financial ruin and started it upon its present wonderfully successful career. After his election to the Bishopric, he was brought into close relation to the women's work of the Church, and was leader in the movement that organized the Woman's Home Mission Society. Upon the death of Bishop McTyeire he was elected President of the Board of Trustees of Vanderbilt University, which position he held from 1889 until last spring, when he was succeeded by Bishop Charles B. Galloway.

Publishing Interests.

I dreamed that this monk of ours wrote words on a barn door so large that they could be seen eighteen miles off. The pen he used grew larger and larger until it reached Rome, and touched the Pope's triple crown, and made it totter. —*Elector Frederick.*

It is recorded that one of the Pharaohs of Egypt built a great library at Thebes, over the door of which he had enough wisdom and enough knowledge of its peculiar mission of books to inscribe, as a name for the place, the words, "Dispensary for the Soul." When facing this great problem of securing the Christian nurture of the community of adherents, let us stand by the side of Rameses in recognizing that through books we can furnish on a large scale remedies for the ailments of the soul by giving our disciples opportunity to retire at times from sordid and degenerate surroundings that they may feed on the great thoughts and the examples of the men of Christ's kingdom whose writings and practice have fostered our own inner life.—*Henry Otis Dwight.*

WHY METHODISM PRINTS.*

Methodism prints. There is no doubt of that fact. Why she prints is explained very naturally. John Wesley was a seer. When he was not praying or preaching, he was starting into the face of a printed page. Amid his prodigious labors for the church, he did an immense amount of reading. Few men in literature have been such judges of books as was our founder. He knew the good by instinct, and repelled the bad book as an alert conscience rebukes advancing sin. The inverted printing-press with its rude appliances came.--but not by chance--in the very nick of time to make Luther's work possible. When God sent that greatest ecclesiastical event since the advent of Christ--Methodism--into the world, the improved printing-press and cheaper book made John Wesley's work practicable. Therefore, just as great railway magnates outfit their own "special cars," so Wesley fitted up his own private carriage. Presently, dissatisfied with books as they were, he began to write and re-write and edit books for his people. Next in order, he began to own presses, which he employed to carry help, suggestion, warning, and zeal to his rapidly multiplying societies.

Some active minds then, as also in modern times, wondered why Methodism did not content itself with what other people printed. When our Book Concern was in full operation nearly fifty years ago, it was proposed to abolish our church presses and confine our reading to that which others would contract to print for us. Even now it is occasionally said that our church might as well operate railroads and conduct banks as to own and superintend printing offices. The suggestion would be valid if the financial results of railroading and banking and printing were the central thought and motive. We do print on the same philosophy that occasionally moves a church or Sunday-school to charter a train for a specific excursion and for definite results. When a Methodist party makes its plans for a day, and wishes to control the hours of starting and return, and particularly desires to determine who shall be pas-

* From Methodism in Literature.

sengers and favored guests, it goes into the railway business, induced by the same motives that sanction the permanent existence of distinctive Methodist printing.

As a part of our system, we have books pledged to our Church in the name of the common King. We have a system of Christian Advocates which represent the most independent, progressive, alert, aggressive, and successful in modern journalism. They are a unit as "Advocates" of everything "Christian." Some persons too hastily conclude that, being "official," they are in bonds, and therefore not "free." On the contrary, their very plan and surroundings make them the freest on earth. It is argued that they must please and praise the powers that be, or the editors will be deposed, and that, consequently, the bread-and-butter argument is too potent. Not so. The individual nominally "independent" paper is immediately sensitive to its subscription list, which so quickly resents adverse opinion. It is not conscious that it has a brotherhood of inter-linked fellow-advocates to "strengthen weak knees." We know of not a single beneficent issue that has been carried in spite of the Church official press, or of a step in human progress that has not been grandly forwarded by our papers. In early days slavery was in some degree defended by the official papers; but that came of their small numbers and the absence of Northern competing thrift in that particular. As between the different official editors, no competition could be more thorough, and as between different systems the official editor can best afford to be personally independent. With respect to deference for the alleged powers that be, we make bold to doubt that "there be" any Methodist "powers" more powerful than the editors themselves.

The most devout man is useful in proportion to his knowledge of his just relations to his brethren. The man who reads is conscious that God is working mightily through the related, fraternal, co-operating churches. From books he will gain the regulating philosophy, and from the paper he notes the progress of the visible kingdom. The man or church that sees how God favors the church yonder notes the employed means of success, and takes heart again. Our grand army should feel the touch of individual marching elbows, and catch the inspiration of co-operating brotherhood.

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THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

Robert Williams was the first to publish Methodist books in America. They were chiefly reprints of Mr. Wesley's books. One of the first things determined on after the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church was the establishment of the Book Concern. John Dickens was at once appointed Book Steward. The Book Concern was started in the city of Philadelphia with six hundred dollars, which came out of the pockets of Dickens himself. The first book published was Mr. Wesley's edition of "A Kempis." Other books published were the Methodist Discipline, Baxter's Saints' Rest and Wesley's Primitive Physicks. The business grew so rapidly that, in 1797, a Book Committee of eight was appointed. In 1804 the Concern was moved to New York.

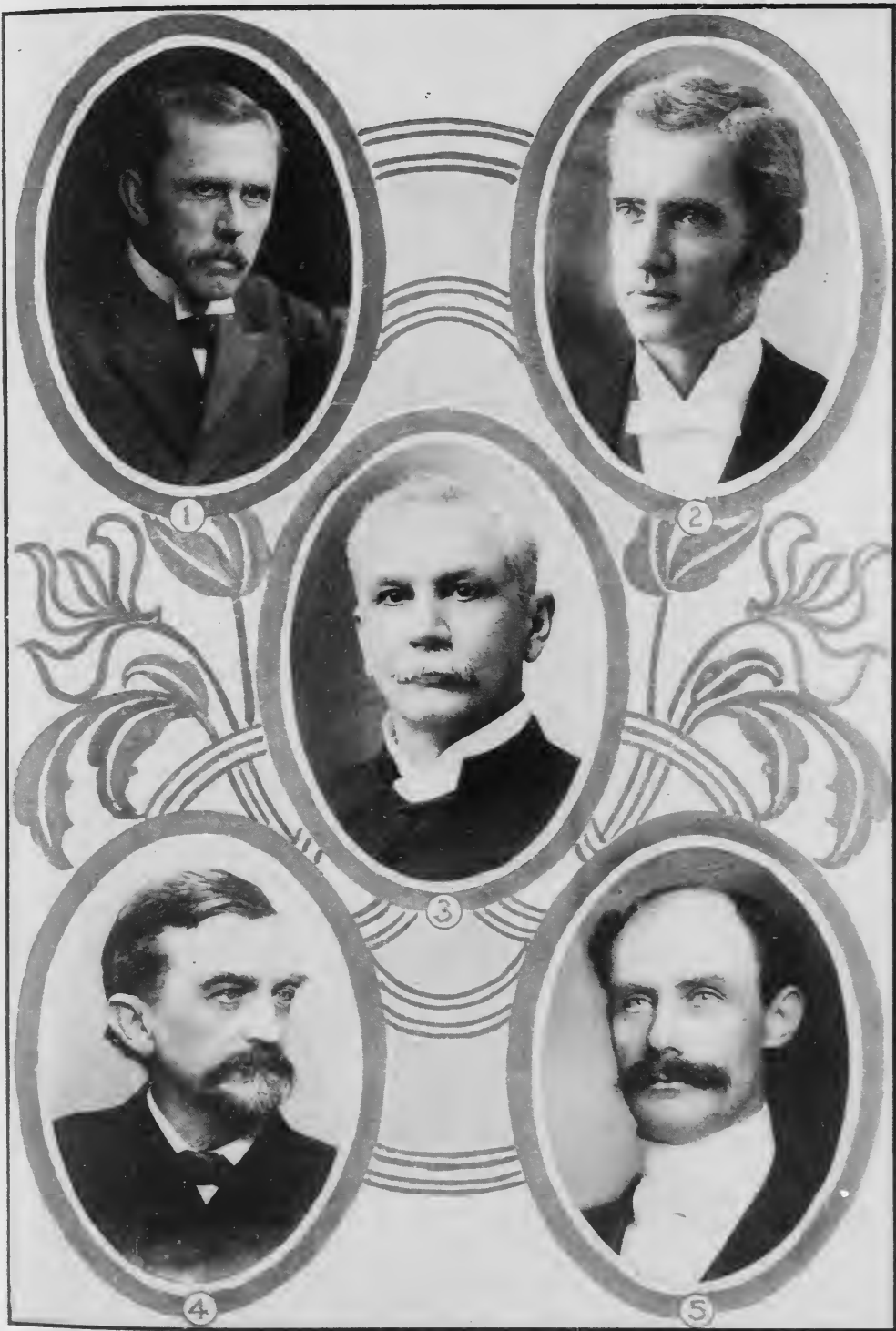
On the division of the Church in 1845, the United States Court ordered a pro rata division of the property of the Book Concern, which gave to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, \$270,000 in cash and all the presses and papers belonging to the Concern in the South.

The Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, really dates from 1854. It was established in Nashville, Tenn. The following have acted as Book Agents: John Early, Stephenson & Owen, A. H. Redford, J. B. McFerrin, J. D. Barbee, Barbee & Smith, Bigham & Smith, Smith & Lamar. When J. B. McFerrin was Agent he succeeded in removing a large debt from the Publishing House. The increase in business after the establishment of the House was such that the old buildings were no longer adequate. Splendid new buildings were erected, and these will soon give way to still better buildings.

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Midland Methodist, Nashville, Tenn. Rev. James A. Burrow, D. D., editor; O. W. Patton, business manager. Printed by contract. Number pages, 16. Price, per year, \$1.00. Circulation, 6,500. Patronizing Conferences, Holston and Tennessee.

Southern Christian Advocate, Spartanburg, S. C. Rev. G. H. Waddell, editor; Rev. W. A. Rogers, assistant editor. Owned by South Carolina Conference. Printed by contract. Number pages, 16. Price, per year, \$2.00. Circulation, 6,096. Patronizing Conference, South Carolina.

Der Missions freund, San Antonio, Texas. Rev. J. A. G. Rabe, D. D., editor; Rev. P. H. Hensch, business manager. Owned by German Mission Conference. Number pages, 8. Price, per year, \$1.00. Circulation, 650. Patronizing Conference, German Mission.

Arkansas Methodist, Little Rock, Ark. Revs. Jas. A. Anderson and A. C. Millar, D. D., editors and owners. Number of pages, 16. Price, per year, \$1.50. Circulation, 9,000. Patronizing Conferences, Little Rock, Arkansas, and White River.

Florida Christian Advocate, Live Oak, Florida. Rev. John B. Ley, editor. Published by contract by Messrs Sherwood & Pond. Number of pages, 8. Price, per year, \$1.50. Circulation, 3,500. Patronizing Conference, Florida.

North Carolina Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Rev. Hugh M. Blair, editor and business manager. Owned by Christian Advocate Publishing Company. Conference owns over

\$4,000 of stock. Total capital paid in, \$8,000. Value of plant, \$5,000. Number of pages, 16. Price, per year, \$1.50. Circulation, 6,300. Patronizing Conference, Western North Carolina.

Wesleyan Christian Advocate, Atlanta, Ga. Rev. W. C. Lovett, D. D., editor; Rev. M. J. Cofer, assistant editor and business manager. Conference ownership. Published by contract. Number of pages, 16. Price, per year, \$2.00. Circulation, 10,600. Patronizing Conferences, North Georgia and South Georgia.

New Orleans Christian Advocate, New Orleans, La. Rev. J. W. Boswell, D. D., editor. Owned by Conference. Published by contract by Chas. O. Chalmers. Number of pages, 16. Price, per year, \$1.50. Circulation, 5,000. Patronizing Conferences, Louisiana, Mississippi and North Mississippi.

Central Methodist, Louisville, Ky. D. W. Batson, A. M., editor. Published by the Central Methodist Publishing Company. Number of pages, 16. Price, year, \$1.00. Circulation, 5,000. Patronizing Conferences, Kentucky and Louisville.

Western Virginia Methodist Advocate, Barboursville, W. Va. Rev. T. S. Wade, D. D., editor. Number of pages, 16. Price, per year, \$1.00. Circulation, 3,000. Patronizing Conference, Western Virginia.



BISHOP WILLIAM MCKENDREE.

Education.

John Milton said: "I call a complete and generous education that which fits a man to perform justly, skillfully, and magnanimously, all the offices, both private and public, of peace and war." This Christian education does, or it is unworthy of the name. It must be thorough in promoting accuracy of thought and love of truth, and unselfish devotion to duty alike to God and man. It means the education of the will no less than that of the mind, for character is educated will. "Not what we remember constitutes knowledge, but what we cannot forget." When education grounds one in the fundamental principles of life and conduct, the will itself is educated in the formation of character. This is possible only by the help of revealed religion and its lofty motives. There must be a perspective of truth in relation to life, a passion to know all truth whether revealed or discoverable by scientific investigation, and a willingness to obey it. The world must not only be known but be organized, knowledge be put to the most sacred duties, and religion does this. "Nothing can properly educate a man but the appeal of the Infinite, which is revelation, and the response of the finite, which is religion."—*Committee to define Christian Education: Bishops Hendrix and Galloway, and Chancellor Kirkland.*

OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK.

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CLASSIFICATION OF INSTITUTIONS.

(a) Those colleges which not only conform to the requirements and recommendations of the Commission, but which go beyond these and steadily increase both in resources and in thoroughness. (b) Those colleges which fully meet the requirements and recommendations of the Commission. (c) Those colleges which barely conform to the requirements, but do not meet the recommendations of the Commission.

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS OF SOUTHERN METHODISM, 1904-'5.

TAKEN FROM THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Name and Location of Institution.	Name of Chief Officer.	Value of Grounds and All Buildings.	Total Endowment.	Total No. Stu- dents.
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.....	J. H. Kirkland, LL.D., D. C. L.	\$750,000	\$1,400,000	686
A.				
Central College, Fayette, Mo.....	Rev. James C. Morris, D. D..	200,000	150,000	131
Emory College, Oxford, Ga.....	Rev. James E. Dickey, D. D..	218,000	212,985	267
Millsaps College, Jackson, Miss.....	Rev. W. B. Murrah, D.D., LL.D.	100,000	110,000	280
Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, Va.....	R. E. Blackwell, A. M., LL.D.	96,700	201,427	141
Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.....	W. W. Smith, A. M., LL.D..	223,000	109,000	320
Southwestern University, Georgetown, Tex.....	R. S. Hyer, LL.D.....	300,000	68,850	495
Trinity College, Durham, N. C.....	Rev. J. C. Kilgo, A. M., D. D..	495,110	640,000	255
Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C.....	H. N. Snyder, M. A. LL.D...	205,000	83,000	224
B.				
Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va.....	Rev. R. G. Waterhouse, D.D..	100,000	20,000	149
Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.....	Rev. Stonewall Anderson, A.B.	75,000	46,000	186
Kentucky Wesleyan College, Winchester, Ky.....	John L. Weber, D. D., Litt.D.	.....	65,000	145
Southern University, Greensboro, Ala.....	Rev. S. M. Hosmer, D. D....	135,000	70,000	162
C.				
Central Female College, Lexington, Mo.....	Rev. Alfred F. Smith, A. B..	75,000	30,000	150

Columbia (Female) College, Columbia, S. C.....	Rev. W. W. Daniel, A.M., D. D.	175,000	.....	275
LaGrange Female College, LaGrange, Ga.....	Rufus W. Smith, A. M.....	165,000	17,800	182
Polytechnic College, Fort Worth, Texas.....	Rev. H. A. Boaz, A. M.....	75,000	.....	342
Soochow University, Soochow, China.....	Rev. D. L. Anderson, D. D....	149,657	.....	115
Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Ga.....	Hon. DuPont Guerry.....	285,000	32,000	465
Whitworth Female College, Brookhaven, Miss.....	Rev. I.W. Cooper, A. M., D. D.	85,000	.....	210

Unclassified

Postgraduate and Secondary

Centenary College, Jackson, La.....	Rev. C. C. Miller, B. S.....	100,000	10,000	187
Alabama Conference Female College, Tuskegee, Ala.....	John Massey, A. M., LL.D....	100,000	13,000	180
Alameda (Japanese), Alameda, Cal.....	Miss Pearl Standifer.....	.....	.....	62
Alexander Collegiate Institute, Jackson, Texas.....	W. K. Strother, M. A.....	17,500	1,000	198
Alleghany Collegiate Institute, Alderson, W. Va.....	Rev. L. S. Shires, B. A.....	15,000	.....	75
Anglo-Chinese College, Shanghai, China.....	Rev. A. P. Parker, D. D.....	70,000	.....	170
Ann Browder Cunningham School, Dallas, Texas.....	Mrs. W. J. Stone.....	15,000	.....	111
Andrew Female College, Cuthbert, Ga.....	Rev. Homer Bush.....	55,000	.....	125
Athens Female College, Athens, Ala.....	Miss Mary Norman Moore....	50,000	.....	120
Belwood Institute, Belwood, N. C.....	W. O. Rudisill.....	2,500	.....	149
Blackstone Female Institute, Blackstone, Va.....	James Cannon, Jr., A. M., D.D.	80,000	.....	338
Bowling Green Female Seminary, Bowling Green, Va....	T. H. Phelps, A. B., A. M....	4,500	.....	55
Brevard Industrial School, Brevard, N. C.....	F. E. Bishop.....	12,000	.....	127
Carolina Institute, Seoul, Korea.....	Mrs. J. Campbell.....	5,000	.....	48
Centenary Female College, Cleveland, Tenn.....	J. A. Stubblefield, A. M., D. D.	75,000	.....	187
Chappell Hill Female College, Chappell Hill, Texas.....	Prof. J. E. Willis.....	20,000	.....	70
Clarendon College, Clarendon, Texas.....	Rev. G. S. Hardy.....	30,000	.....	345
Clopton-Lambuth, Shanghai, China.....	.....	4,000	.....	60
Cokesbury Conference School, Cokesbury, S. C.....	B. Benjamin Dukes, A. B....	3,000	6,000	57
Collegio Americano, Petropolis, Brazil.....	Miss Perkinson.....	30,000	150

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

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Collegio Candler, Havana, Cuba.....	E. E. Clements	200
Colegio Colon, Guadalajara, Mexico.....	Mrs. Ellen B. Carney.....	5,000	75
Colegio Palmore, Chihuahua, Mexico.....	Miss Lizzie Wilson.....	10,000	.....	250
Collegio Piracicabano, Piracicaba, Brazil.....	Miss Lily Stradley.....	10,000	.....	225
Columbia College, Milton, Oregon.....	Rev. A. H. Shannon.....	15,000	11,500	48
Coronal Institute, San Marcos, Texas.....	Rev. Sterling Fisher.....	30,600	.....	250
Corsicana District Training School, Blooming Grove, Tex.	Rev. W. R. Rucker, A. M.	12,000	.....	100
Davenport (Female) College, Lenoir, N. C.	Chas. C. Weaver, A. B., Ph. D.	30,000	.....	139
Day Schools, Santiago, Cuba.....	Rev. W. G. Fletcher.....	.....	.....	.....
Day School, Camaguey, Cuba.....	Rev. B. F. Gilbert.....	.....	.....	80
Day School, Santa Clara, Cuba.....	Rev. W. E. Sewell.....	.....	.....	.....
Day School, Hoochow, China.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Day School, Ootsung, China.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Day School, Nansiang, China.....	.....	400	.....	30
Day Schools, Sun-Kiang, China.....	.....	.....	.....	45
Day Schools, Sing Dzung, China.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Day Schools, Mexico.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Day Schools, China.....	.....	.....	.....	700
Dyersburg District Training School, Munford, Tenn....	W. M. Abernathy.....	6,000	.....	169
Edward McGehee College, Woodville, Miss.....	Miss Georgia Swanson.....	20,000	.....	75
Effie Eddington Day School, El Paso, Texas.....	Miss Fannie Montague.....	.....	.....	113
Eliza Bowman, Havana, Cuba.....	Miss H. G. Carson.....	.....	.....	50

English Schools, Japan.....	O. H. Wingfield.....	3,000	60
Eufaula District Academy, Clayton, Ala.....	Rev. W. R. Foote.....	5,000	121
Fairmont College, Fairmont, Ga.....	Rev. S. W. Walker.....	135,000	281
Florida Seminary, Sutherland, Fla.....	Rev. C. C. Godden.....	80,000	316
Galloway Female College, Searcy, Ark.....	N. M. Whaley.....	12,500	110
Gentry-Hendrix Academy, Gentry, Ark.....	Miss N. B. Gaines.....	21,115	297
Girls' School, Hiroshima, Japan.....	Rev. J. W. Tarboux, D. D....	54,875	82
Granbery College, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.....	Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson.....	100,000	146
Greensboro Female College, Greensboro, N. C.....	W. L. Clifton, Ph. B., A. B...	80,000	193
Grenada College, Grenada, Miss.....	Rev. D. W. Smith.....	6,000	150
Griffin District Institute, Zebulon, Ga.....	Rev. J. M. Gross.....	25,000	205
Hargrove College, Ardmore, Indian Territory.....	Mrs. Gathier	6,000	30
Hayes-Wilkins, Sung-Kiang, China.....	James H. Witherspoon, B. A..	75,000	195
Henderson College, Arkadelphia, Ark.....	Rev. Hiram D. Groves, D.D..	60,000	12,800 179
Howard-Payne College, Fayette, Mo.....	A. H. Hughley & J. P. Turner.	20,000	120
Hughey & Turner School, Weatherford, Texas.....	Mrs. E. E. Wiley.....		90
Industrial Home and School, Greenville, Tenn.....	Miss Rebecca Toland.....		40
Irene Toland, Matanzas, Cuba.....	Miss Mattie H. Watts.....		50
Isabella Hendrix, Bella Horizonte, Brazil.....	Miss Mary Bruce.....		47
Italian Night School, Ybor City, Fla.....	Rev. C. A. Brown, A. B., A. M.	16,000	240
Jonesville Institute, Jonesville, Va.....	George Clarke	4,000	75
Kentucky Wesleyan Academy, Campton, Ky.....	Rev. Wm. Court.....		149
Kobe Institute, Kobe, Japan.....	S. H. Wainright, D. D.....	52,000	237
Kwansei Gakuin, Kobe, Japan.....	Miss I. M. Worth.....	6,000	28
Lambuth Memorial Institute, Kobe, Japan.....	Rev. John Owens Wilson, D. D.	52,000	168
Lander Seminary, Greenwood, S. C.....	Miss M. E. Holding.....	100,000	300
Laredo Seminary, Laredo, Texas	Miss Pyle	25,000	48
Laura Haygood Memorial, Soochow, China.....	F. C. Campbell	20,000	290
Laurens Institute, Monterey, Mexico.....			

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Lindsay-Wilson Training School, Columbia, Ky.....	S. L. Froge, A. M.....	19,000	10,000	315
Littleton Female College, Littleton, N. C.....	Rev. J. M. Rhodes, A. M.....	45,000	240
Little Rock Conference Training School, Fordyce, Ark....	Willis N. Tucker.....	15,000	.....	75
Logan Female College, Russellville, Ky.....	B. E. Atkins, A. M.....	40,000	.....	120
Louisburg Female College, Louisburg, N. C.....	M. S. Davis, A. M.....	30,000	.....	202
Los Angeles (Chinese), Los Angeles, Cal.....	Miss Maria Elliott.....	.....	.....	45
Lucy Cuninggim, Wonsan, Korea.....	Miss Knowles.....	5,000	.....	50
MacDonell Institute, Durango, Mexico.....	Miss Ellie Tydings.....	5,000	.....	150
Mansfield Female College, Mansfield, La.....	T. S. Sligh, A. M.....	40,000	.....	245
Marianna District High School, Newton, Ala.....	N. E. Fertig.....	1,500	.....	113
Martha Washington College, Abingdon, Va.....	.....	65,000	10,000	183
Martin Female College, Pulaski, Tenn.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marvin College, Clinton, Ky.....	Rev. H. W. Browder, A. M....	16,000	.....	165
Marvin Collegiate Institute, Fredericktown, Mo.....	Rev. C. M. Gray, A. B.....	50,000	.....	115
Mary Keener Institute, City of Mexico.....	Miss Esther Case.....	.....	.....	400
McFerrin College, Martin, Tenn.....	Prof. D. A. Williams.....	15,000	.....	116
McLain Training School, Sung-Kiang, China.....	Rev. H. T. Reed.....	1,700	.....	93
McTyeire School, McKenzie, Tenn.....	James A. Robins, B. A.....	15,000	.....	81
McTyeire & McGavock, Shanghai, China.....	Miss Helen Richardson.....	75,000	.....	75
Memphis Conference Female Institute, Jackson, Tenn....	A. B. Jones, A. M., D.D., LL.D.	50,000	.....	129
Mena-Hendrix Academy, Mena, Ark.....	W. R. Shinn.....	15,000	.....	20
Methvin Institute, Anadarko, Okla.....	Rev. J. J. Methvin.....	8,000	.....	90

Millersburg Female College, Millersburg, Ky.....	Rev. C. C. Fisher, A. M.....	10,500	.....	130
Mineiro, Juiz de Fora, Brazil.....	Miss Ida Shaffer.....	10,000	.....	125
Montrose High School, Montrose, Miss.....	Rev. Waldo W. Moore, A. M..	800	.....	205
Morris Harvey College, Barboursville, W. Va.....	D. W. Shaw, A. M.....	50,000	.....	140
Morrisville College, Morrisville, Mo.....	W. W. Thomas, Ph. B.....	30,000	.....	237
Nannie Lou Warthen Institute, Wrightsville, Ga.....	Wm. F. Quillian, Jr. A. B....	12,000	.....	340
North Alabama Conference College, Birmingham, Ala....	Rev. J. R. Turner.....	78,000	.....	115
North Texas Female College, Sherman, Texas.....	Mrs. Lucy Kidd Key.....	70,000	.....	430
North Texas Training School, Terrell, Texas.....	Rev. J. J. Morgan, M. A., B.D.	20,000	.....	122
Northwest Missouri College, Albany, Mo.....	J. R. Clay.....	30,000	.....	58
Oakland (Japanese), Oakland, Cal.....	Mrs. R. J. Tabor.....	.....	.....	....
Pacific Methodist College, Santa Rosa, Cal.....	.....	.....	.....	101
Pai Chai College, Seoul, Korea.....	C. G. Hounshell.....	.....	.....	285
Paine College (Negro), Augusta, Ga.....	Rev. Geo. Wm. Walker, D. D..	50,342	29,800	170
Pikeville Training School, Pikeville, Tenn.....	J. W. D Renegar.....	4,000	.....	87
Piedmont Institute, Rockmart, Ga.....	Rev. G. F. Venable, A. B.....	12,000	.....	55
Port Gibson Female College, Port Gibson, Miss.....	Rev. H. G. Hawkins, A. B....	35,000	.....	200
Porto Alegre, Porto Alegre, Brazil.....	Miss Clara B. Fullerton.....	.....	.....	75
Princeton Collegiate Institute, Princeton, W. Va.....	W. S. Cox, A. B.....	8,000	.....	150
Prvor Institute, Jasper, Tenn.....	M. M. Dossett, Ph. B.....	30,000	.....	179
Randolph-Macon Academy, Bedford City, Va.....	E. Sumter Smith.....	100,000	.....	100
Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal, Va.....	Chas. L. Melton, A. M.....	100,000	.....	104
Randolph-Macon Institute, Danville, Va.....	Wm. Holmes Davis, A. B....	47,000	.....	269
Reinhardt College, Waleska, Ga.....	R. C. Sharp.....	8,000	5,000	225
Rio Schools, Rio, Brazil.....	Miss Elizabeth Davis.....	.....	.....	100
Ribeirao Preto, Ribeirao Preto, Brazil.....	Miss Leonora D. Smith.....	.....	.....	220
Russell Academy, Lebanon, Va.....	.....	12,000	.....	240
Rutherford College, Rutherford College, N. C.....	A. C. Reynolds, A. B.....	10,000	263
Ruth Hargrove Seminary, Key West, Fla.....	Miss E. J. Reid.....	11,000	130

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Saltillo Normal School, Saltillo, Mexico.....	Miss Lelia Roberts.....	8,000	160
San Antonio Female College, San Antonio, Texas.....	Rev. J. E. Harrison, A. B....	80,000	69
San Francisco (Japanese), San Francisco, Cal.....	Mrs. E. S. Adams.....	.....	.....	200
San Luis Potosi, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.....	Miss Fannie B. Moling.....	6,000	.....	50
Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Mo....	Miss M. L. Gibson.....	75,000	.....	....
Scarritt Collegiate Institute, Neosho, Mo.....	.....	30,000	.....	30
Sloan-Hendrix Academy, Imboden, Ark.....	Rev. Geo. J. Evans, B. A.....	16,000	.....	155
South Georgia College, McRae, Ga.....	R. J. Strozier, A. M.....	30,000	.....	....
Southern Seminary, Buena Vista, Va.....	Rev. E. H. Rowe.....	75,000	.....	185
Spaulding Institute, Muskogee, Indian Territory.....	Rev. T. F. Brewer, A. M.....	75,000	.....	76
St. Charles Military College, St. Charles, Mo.....	Rev. G. W. Bruce, A. B., A. M.	50,000	17,500	34
Stevensville Training School, Stevensville, Mont.....	Rev. D. B. Price.....	15,000	.....	348
Sue Bennett Memorial, London, Ky.....	Prof. J. C. Lewis.....	34,000	.....	189
Sullins College, Bristol, Va.-Tenn.....	Rev. M. D. Mitchell.....	150,000	.....	50
Sung-Kiang Boarding School, Sung-Kiang, China.....	Miss Waters.....	.....	.....	30
Tullulah Hargrove, Songdo, Korea.....	Miss Carroll.....	3,000	.....	100
Tennessee Home, Heochow, China.....	Miss Rankin.....	3,000	.....	154
Trinity High School, Trinity, N. C.....	J. T. Henry, A. B., A. M.....	20,000	.....	205
Trinity Park School, Durham, N. C.....	J. A. Bivins.....	75,000	.....	....
University Training School, Granbery, Texas.....	S. T. Smith, A. M.....	17,000	.....	148
Vanderbilt Training School, Smith's Grove, Ky.....	Wm. H. Pritchett, A. M.....	10,000	.....	78
Vanderbilt Training School, Elkton, Ky.....	J. M. Fletcher & J. M. Roberts	27,000	3,000	50

Virginia School, Hoo Chow, China.....	Miss Minnie Bomar.....	6,000	.....	126
Wall School, Honey Grove, Texas.....	S. V. Wall	28,000	.....	156
Weaverville College, Weaverville, N. C.....	J. M. Robeson, A. B.....	30,000	.....	5
Wesleyan College, San Luis Potosi, Mexico.....	Rev. Lawrence Reynolds.....	.....	.....	130
West Tampa College, Tampa, Fla.....	Miss Emelina Valdes.....	2,000	.....	209
Willie Halsell College, Vinita, Indian Territory.....	W. S. Dugger.....	100,000	.....	168
Wofford Fitting School, Spartanburg, S. C.....	A. M. DuPre, A. M.....	50,000	.....	90
Wolff Mission, Ybor City, Fla.....	Miss Mary Bruce.....	6,000	.....	.....
Woman's Work, Soochow, China.....	Miss Anderson .....	.....	.....	160
Woodson Institute, Richmond, Mo.....	G. B. Grumfine, B. S., M. S..	40,000	.....	375
Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga.....	Rev. J. A. Sharp, A. B.....	50,000	14,000	....
Cotley College, Nevada, Mo.....	Mrs. V. A. C. Stockard.....	75,000	.....	145
Howard Institute, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn.....	J. A. Bostick & W.D. Strayho.	12,500	.....	210
Lane College (Negro), Jackson, Tenn.....	Rev. J. A. Bray, A. B., A. M..	15,000	.....	306
Science Hill School, Shelbyville, Ky.....	Mrs. W. T. Poynter.....	.....	.....	140
Soule College, Murfreesboro, Tenn.....	.....	2,500	.....	227
Sparks Collegiate Institute, Sparks, Ga.....	Rev. C. M. Woodward, A. B..	27,000	.....	340
Suffolk College, Suffolk, Va.....	Sally A. Finney.....	25,000	.....	62
The Academy, Clarksville, Tenn.....	Rev. J. W. Renass.....	12,000	800	94
Training School for Boys, Brownsville, Tenn.....	F. R. Ogilvie.....	5,000	.....	60
Waco District Conference College, Waco, Texas.....	Douglas & Schuler.....	.....	.....	136
Total.....	.....	8,237,999	3,400,462	27,997

LOSSES DURING THE YEAR.

The main building of the Kentucky Wesleyan College was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of over \$50,000. The building was insured for less than half its value. The furniture, laboratory, gymnasium, and most of the library were destroyed.

Martin College, Pulaski, Tenn., was entirely destroyed by fire. It has been rebuilt.

Early in November, 1904, Lane College, of the C. M. E. Church, Jackson, Tenn., suffered the loss by fire of its main building and dormitories, which were included in the building. The furniture, library, and other equipment were a total loss.

On the 20th of April last the main building of Vanderbilt University, with nearly all its valuable contents, including the library and the physical and chemical laboratories, was entirely destroyed by fire. Many things of great historical value, and which cannot be replaced, were lost. The citizens of Nashville have resolved to put up one of the new buildings which will take the place of the old one, and are now engaged in raising \$100,000 for that purpose.

GIFTS AND PROGRESS.

The Southwestern, of Texas, reports a large increase of students, the endowment of two chairs, the addition of sixteen free scholarships, a handsome addition to its library, and a medical department just opened in Dallas, Texas.

Columbia College (South Carolina) has just laid the cornerstone of its new main building, which, they say, will be the handsomest and most convenient for its purpose in the State.

The Alabama Conference College, at Tuskegee, has built a new laboratory and repainted all its buildings.

Emory College is building a new gymnasium, at a cost of \$12,000.

Trinity College has established a Law Department. It has received gifts during the year amounting to \$130,000.

Randolph-Macon Woman's College is planning to build a \$12,000 Science Hall and a \$40,000 dormitory.

Athens Female College (Alabama), under the management of its new President, Miss Mary N. Moore, has expended \$2,500 in improvements during the year.

The Vanderbilt Training School, at Elkton, Ky., is preparing to erect a dormitory, to be completed by the opening of the next year.

Morris Harvey College (Barboursville, W. Va.), is enlarging its college building to three times its former capacity.

The Florida Conference Seminary has made improvements which greatly add to its effectiveness.

The Memphis Conference Female Institute (Jackson, Tenn.) has newly-furnished its buildings throughout.

The Training School at Granbury, Texas, which takes the place of the former Granbury College, has provided for an old debt of \$2,600 and spent \$300 on repairs.

The Greensboro Female College has secured subscriptions amounting to \$30,000 for rebuilding. The opening of the first term after the fire was the largest for many years.

The South Georgia College, at McRae, has recently purchased a dormitory for girls, built another for boys, and begun work on an \$11,000 addition to the main building.

Grenada College (Mississippi) has spent \$13,000 on improvements on its main building, and is preparing to make an additional expenditure of \$15,000 before the opening of next year.

Central College (Fayette, Mo.), by bequest of Mr. R. M. Scruggs, has received an addition of \$25,000 to its endowment, and Marvin Collegiate Institute, from the same source, \$2,500.

The Southern University (Alabama) received \$10,000 from Mr. Lightfoot, which is the largest gift to education made by any one man in Alabama since the Civil War.

Polytechnic College (Forth Worth, Texas) received \$5,000 from one man, \$2,000 from another, and \$1,000 from two others.

OUR WORK IN THE WEST.

A handsome brick structure has been built for school purposes at Stevensville, Mont., at a cost of about \$14,000. This is the property of the Montana Conference, and the work being done here is that of a Conference academy and boarding school for both sexes. It is educating preachers for the Conferences, and the sons and daughters of preachers, free. It is of inestimable value to the growing work of our Church in Montana. The building was erected by the heroic labors and sacrifices of Rev. D. B. Price, of the Conference, who is both the President and Agent of the school. Mr. Price is now engaged in building a suitable dormitory. Our Church in Montana is still poor and greatly in need of outside help in its school work. The Agent naturally turns to the General Board for encouragement and assistance.

Our work in California has been temporarily hindered by a movement on the part of the Pacific Conference to consolidate our school with the college of the M. E. Church at San Jose. Final action does not seem as yet to have been taken in the matter.

EDUCATION FOR THE NEGRO.

In his "History of Methodism," Bishop McTyeire says: "In 1866 there was reported 78,742 of the colored membership that

had numbered 207,776. The two African churches, hitherto operating mainly in the North, appropriated a large share of them; another portion went to Northern Methodism. To the latter went many of the preachers and exhorters, who made most efficient agents for extending the new organization in the Southern field, and some of them have more than once figured creditably in their General Conferences. The remnant that clung to the church which ministered to them in slavery were set off into Circuits, Districts, and Annual Conferences, and, at their request, were constituted an independent body under the name chosen by themselves: 'The Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in America.' The Discipline of the parent body was adopted without material alterations, and two Bishops of their own election were ordained. This was done in Jackson, Tenn., December, 1870. W. H. Miles and R. H. Vanderhorst were ordained by Bishop Paine and Bishop McTyeire, who presided at the Conventional General Conference. The General Conference which authorized this proceeding also ordered that all church property that had been acquired, held, and used for Methodist negroes in the past be turned over to them by Quarterly Conferences and trustees."

The Tennessee Conference of the new organization, which met in Nashville, Tenn., in 1878, projected a High School, to be located in Jackson, Tenn. Two years later this school was chartered as Lane Institute, and in 1895 its name was changed to "Lane College." Bishop Lane, of the C. M. E. Church, was largely instrumental in raising the building fund, much of which was given by the M. E. Church, South. In 1897 the main structure (a brick building, with ten recitation rooms, a chapel, and dormitories for boys and girls) was completed at a cost of \$15,000. The total valuation of the property in 1904 was \$35,000. In 1887 the college asked that the M. E. Church, South, furnish it with a President, and Rev. T. F. Saunders, of the Memphis Conference, was appointed. He served it acceptably for fifteen years, and was succeeded in 1903 by Rev. J. A. Bray, of the C. M. E. Church. Our church, in addition to its contributions to the building of Lane College, pays the salary of its President, which amounts to \$1,200. Early in November, 1904, the main building was destroyed by fire. The total loss was about \$25,000, while the insurance was \$9,100. President Bray has been appointed Financial Agent, and hopes to raise the amount necessary for rebuilding on a larger scale than before. He has in hand for this purpose about \$12,000. He asks that our church give him \$15,000. The contract for the new building has been let at \$24,100, and the work of rebuilding has begun. The President reports the present enrollment at 306, against 267 last year, and 241 the year before.

Paine College had its origin in the action of the General Conferences of 1878 and 1882. At the request of the C. M. E. Church, these Conferences took up the question of providing it with educated preachers and teachers. This cause was emphatically endorsed and commended to the church, both in the addresses of the Bishops and in the reports of the Educational Committees of these Conferences. The movement resulted in the appointment of a Commissioner to raise funds for the establishment of an educational institution in behalf of the C. M. E. Church. Rev. Dr. James E. Evans, of the North Georgia Conference, was appointed to this work, and W. P. Pattillo, W. B. Hill, and W. A. Candler a committee, in conjunction with a like committee from the C. M. E. Church, to co-operate with him. These constituted a Board of Trust empowered to take charge of all funds raised, and to organize the new educational scheme. They established Paine Institute at Augusta, Ga. Rev. Morgan Calloway, of Emory College, was elected President, and Rev. George Williams Walker, of the South Carolina Conference, Assistant. In 1884 Paine Institute began its work in rented rooms, on Broad Street, Augusta, Ga. From October, 1884, to May, 1885, one hundred and forty-one students were enrolled, more than half of whom were preparing to teach and quite a number to preach. After Dr. J. E. Evans, the Rev. W. C. Dunlap, of the North Georgia Conference, and the Rev. W. H. Hays, of the South Georgia Conference, acted successively as Commissioners. During the administration of the former, the Rev. Moses U. Payne, of Missouri, gave the Institute \$25,000 for endowment. At the General Conference of 1894, in Memphis, Tenn., when the General Board of Education was established, the plan of management was changed, and the new Board placed in entire charge of our colored work. During its first quadrennium the Board raised, by Annual Conference collections, for this work, \$22,363.66. Besides this, the Secretary, Dr. R. J. Bigham, built, at Paine Institute, Haygood Memorial Hall, at a cost of \$25,000. During the Board's second quadrennium the collections amounted to \$25,999.65, while during the three years of the present quadrennium they have already amounted to \$27,511.30.

THE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL.*

The increase in the number of students enrolled has been very gratifying. At the time of the last report was made, a year ago there were on the rolls four hundred and twenty-four (424) names. Since that time we have had four hundred and ninety-two enrollments, making a total for the year of nine hundred and sixteen (916). During the year two hundred and

*Taken from the report of Rev. J. L. Cuninglism, Director.

forty-two (242) students have received certificates, one hundred and thirteen (113) have completed their courses only in part, forty-nine (49) have discontinued without completing any work, making a total of four hundred and four (404) names taken off of our roll since April 30, 1904. This number deducted from 916, the total enrollment for the year, leaves on our rolls at present five hundred and twelve (512) students, over against four hundred and twenty-four (424) this time a year ago.

The territorial distribution may be seen from the following statement:

Alabama, 3; Arkansas, 2; Baltimore, 14; Columbia, 1; Cuban Mission, 1; Denver, 3; Florida, 12; Holston, 23; Indian Mission, 19; Kentucky, 4; Louisiana, 28; Little Rock, 6; Los Angeles, 2; Louisville, 9; Memphis, 30; Mississippi, 26; Missouri, 22; Montana, 2; North Alabama, 8; North Carolina, 27; New Mexico, 6; North Georgia, 6; North Mississippi, 11; North Texas, 19; Northwest Texas, 27; Pacific, 2; South Carolina, 27; South Georgia, 33; St. Louis, 6; Southwest Missouri, 17; Tennessee, 15; Texas, 15; Virginia, 34; White River, 9; West Texas, 13; no Conference, 1.

In connection with our correspondence instruction we have come to feel very greatly the need of an extension library. Many of our preachers are living on such meager incomes that they are not able to buy the books they ought to read. If it were possible to have an extension library, through which we might furnish to all our students and other preachers a given book, say for the expense of the postage, it would make it possible for our preachers to do far more reading and studying than they are at present doing.

I. Missions.

II. Church Extension.

By myself have I sworn, the word is gone forth from my mouth in righteousness and shall not return, that unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.
—*Isaiah 45 : 23.*

Who can estimate the missionaries' value to the progress of nations? Their contribution to the onward and upward march of humanity is beyond all calculation.—*President William McKinley.*¹

Speaking positively, then, the aim of missions is no less than the creation of renewed humanity out of the Christless nations, the creation of a new humanity, which shall be not only redeemed, but redemptive; which shall not only share with Jesus his conscious Sonship to God, but shall also share in his redemptive power, that of reproducing his sense of sonship in the souls of others. The single aim of missions thus takes on a two-fold aspect, one looking toward personal redemption, and the other toward social redemption.—*Dr. O. E. Brown.*

In "Board of Missions," Rev. G. W. Matthews belongs to the South Georgia Conference, and the name of Rev. M. L. Carlisle for the South Carolina Conference should be added. J. R. (instead of A.) Deering. C. (instead of G.) W. Carter; M. (instead of H.) O. Hughes.

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On Audits.—W. R. Manier, W. R. Cole.

On Candidates.—James Atkins, J. D. Hamilton, Seth Ward.

On Estimates.—W. R. Lambuth, J. D. Hamilton, W. R. Cole, James Atkins, Seth Ward.

On Translation.—Bishop C. B. Galloway, W. R. Lambuth, R. H. Mahon.

On Woman's Missionary Society.—Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Horace Bishop, F. D. Swindell.

SOUTHERN METHODISM AND MISSIONS.

When American Methodism was divided in 1844, missions to the slaves, to the Indians and to the foreigners in the home land were already organized and in operation within the territory that came under the jurisdiction of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. By such interest in and care for the unfortunate and the unsaved about their doors, Southern Methodism gave pledge of wider evangelization in the coming day of enlarged resources and greater opportunities. The Louisville Convention, held in 1845, which laid foundations for the organic structure of Southern Methodism, made provision for the prosecution of mission work within our territory until the forces of the Church could be regularly organized in this interest. The first General Conference, held in 1846, adopted a constitution for the Missionary Society, provided a Board of Managers and elected the Rev. E. Stevenson Missionary Secretary. That first General Conference also adopted a resolution recommending the appointment of two missionaries to China, a field which up to that time had not been entered by American Methodism. In 1848 the Revs. Charles Taylor and Benjamin Jenkins, both of the South Carolina Conference, were appointed to work in China, and in April of the same year sailed for the field, reaching their destination after a voyage of one hundred and sixteen days. They were joined in 1852 by the Rev. W. G. E. Cunningham and wife, and at intervals others went out to engage in the great enterprise of evangelizing the Chinese empire. In 1870, thirty-five years ago, China was the only foreign field occupied by our Church. Eight missionaries and their families had been sent out, but some had died and others had been compelled to give up the work, so that we had at that time only two missionaries and their wives on the field, Young J. Allen and wife and J. W. Lambuth and wife.

Thirty-five years have elapsed since that date, the average life-time of one generation. In these years marked progress has been made, both in the work abroad and in the support given to the work by the Church at home.

In 1873 we began work in Mexico. In 1876 organized mission work was begun in Brazil. In 1886 our Church entered Japan. In 1896 we began our work in Korea. In 1899 we entered Cuba.

In 1870 we had two foreign missionaries and their wives, a total force of four. To-day, including the wives of our missionaries and the missionaries of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, we have a force of two hundred and forty-five. Add to that two hundred and seventy-three native preachers and other helpers connected with the missions of

our General Board, and one hundred and seventy-four assistant teachers employed by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and we have a total force of six hundred and ninety-two workers on the foreign field. Three hundred and six men engaged in mission work in the home Church receive aid from the treasury of our General Board; eighty-eight missionaries and teachers are employed by the Woman's Home Mission Society; thirteen hundred and ninety-three men engaged in home mission work receive aid from the domestic mission funds of Southern Methodism; so that the total force engaged in the Home and Foreign Mission work of our church is twenty-four hundred and thirty-five.

Thirty-five years ago we had less than sixty members on the foreign field. Now our membership numbers 15,711. We have 328 Sunday-schools with more than a thousand officers and teachers and 15,000 pupils. Including the work of the Woman's Board, we have 112 day and boarding schools, employing 376 teachers and giving instruction to 5,600 pupils. Seven hospitals and dispensaries give treatment annually to more than 30,000 patients. We give thanks to God for such growth in our work in so short a time.

The increase in the membership of the church at home, in the year ending March 31, 1905, was between two and three per cent. The increase in our membership in the foreign field in the same year was between nine and ten per cent. For each effective itinerant preacher in the home church there was an increase of between five and six members. For each effective itinerant preacher in the foreign field, including ordained missionaries and native traveling preachers, there was an increase in our membership of between eight and nine.

In the six foreign fields occupied by our church there is an aggregate population of about 500,000,000. In that vast population we have a little over three per cent of our effective traveling preachers. In the States in which our church is working in this country there is a population of about 30,000,000. In this field we have about ninety-seven per cent of our effective preachers.

In the thirty-five years that have elapsed since 1870 there has been large growth in the missionary spirit, missionary organization and the missionary contributions of Southern Methodism. In 1870 our church contributed for Home and Foreign Missions \$93,726. In 1878 the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized and in 1880 we paid for missions \$183,264. In 1886 the Woman's Home Mission Society was organized and in 1890 we paid for missions \$467,667. In 1900 our total contribution for missions was \$562,657. The collections for missions for the year ending March 31, 1905, were as follows:

Collected by General Board, including all specials..	\$436,859.12
Collected by Woman's Foreign Missionary Society..	147,692.02
Collected by Woman's Home Mission Society.....	94,276.05
Collected in the several Conferences for Domestic Missions	222,007.00
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• Making a total of.....	\$900,834.19

The increase in our contributions for missions in thirty-five years has been nearly ten-fold. And yet we are now paying only thirty-five cents per member for Foreign Missions, including all contributions and all funds raised by the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. The entire church pays for Home and Foreign Missions, including all specials, and the funds raised by the Woman's Societies, fifty cents per member.

For the year ending March 31, 1905, there was an increase in the total amount collected by the General Board for missions of eleven per cent. The increase in collections for Foreign Missions on assessments in the same year was four and one-half per cent. The increase in amount paid for support of pastors was nine per cent.

"The Blue Book of Missions," for 1905, gives a list of forty-three Foreign Missionary Boards and Societies in the United States. These Societies have 4,627 foreign missionaries employed, support 6,756 schools, give instruction to 241,934 pupils, report 495,925 communicants and have an annual income of \$6,560,574. Of these forty-three Societies, the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is fifth in the number of missionaries employed and in the amount received for the support of the work. Four, only four, have a larger number of men and women on the foreign fields and contribute a larger sum for the cause of Foreign Missions. The four churches in advance of us are:

The Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Presbyterian Church (North).

The Baptist Church (North).

The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions (Congregational).

"The Blue Book," referred to above, gives the following summary of Protestant Missions in the world: Missionaries, 13,720. Native workers, men and women, 74,933. Schools, 15,087. Pupils, 1,102,834. Communicants, 1,349,741. Professing Christians, 2,941,132. Income \$16,845,267.

The figures given by Dr. Dennis in his "Centennial Survey of Foreign Missions" are considerably in advance of the above.

For later Conferences statistics, see Statistical Tables.

MISSIONS.

CHINA MISSION CONFERENCE.

The China Mission was founded in 1848 by authority of the General Conference of 1846. The first missionary sent to that field was the Rev. Charles Taylor, of the South Carolina Conference. Rev. Benjamin Jenkins, also of the South Carolina Conference, was sent out as the colleague of Dr. Taylor. The first station occupied was Shanghai, on the eastern coast of China. In 1852, Rev. W. G. E. Cunningham, of the Holston Conference, was sent out; and in 1854, Rev. D. C. Kelley, of the Tennessee Conference; Rev. J. W. Lambuth, of the Mississippi Conference, and Rev. James L. Belton, of the Alabama Conference, were sent to China. In 1859, Rev. Young J. Allen, of the Georgia Conference, and Rev. M. L. Wood, of the North Carolina Conference, sailed from New York for Shanghai.

Our schools are Soochow University, Anglo-Chinese College, and McLain Training School.

During the present year Soochow University has done well. The whole number of students enrolled is one hundred and eighteen. The majority are from Soochow and the surrounding cities, while some are from the other provinces.

The main building is at last about finished. A little work only remains to be done. There is no handsomer college building in all China, or one better adapted to our work. There are now ample class-rooms, well ventilated and lighted; also library room, laboratory, and necessary offices. The Assembly Hall is a beautiful auditorium. Great stress is laid upon the study of the Bible. Each student begins this study upon entering the lowest class, and continues it until the completion of the college course.

This year for the Anglo-Chinese College has been a successful one on the whole. The attendance has been good. The quota for both fall and spring terms has been full, and, as usual, more students have applied for admission than could be received.

One of the principal objects of such a school as the Anglo-Chinese College is to prepare workers for the church in China.

The following are some statistics of Soochow Hospital: In patients, 293; dispensary patients, 13,871; X ray patients, 1,057. Patients supplied with medicine at gate, 2,484; patients in Chinese families, 890; calls to foreign families, 156. Total for Soochow Hospital, 18,751. Total for Sungkong Dispensary, 4,384. Total for hospital and dispensary, 23,135.

The following are the statistics of Huchow Hospital: In patients, 42; dispensary patients, 2,244.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 18; married missionaries, female, 18; single missionaries, male, 4. Total, 40.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 18; local preachers, 16; exhorters, 41. Total, 75.

Work.—Districts, 3; stations and circuits, 19.

Property.—Churches, 23; value, \$13,106; parsonages, 8; value, \$16,610; school buildings, 12; value, \$201,807; hospital and dispensaries, 3; value, \$14,792.50. Total value of mission property, \$246,315.50.

KOREA MISSION.

Opened by Bishop Hendrix in 1895. Dr. C. F. Reid, of the China Mission, was appointed superintendent. The conversion of Mr. T. H. Yun and his urgent appeal to enter Korea became a call of Providence to the Church.

Korea mission has never had a more prosperous year than the one which has just closed. The outlook for the future is bright.

Here, as in all lands, education is the strong right arm of the church. The past year has been the most hopeful in this line of work that we have seen in Korea. The Pai Chai School, which is carried on jointly by the Methodist Mission and our own mission, has had a good year, and the grade of work has been such as to give us hope for the future. The school is composed of young men and boys, all of whom are professed Christians. It is from these boys and young men that we hope to get our preachers in the near future. The one object of the school is to train boys and men for right living, to become useful men in the church.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 5; married missionaries, female, 5; single missionaries, male, 2. Total, 12.

Native Workers.—Exhorters, 3; native helpers, 3; Bible women, 5; colporteurs, 15. Total, 26.

Work.—District, 1; stations and circuits, 7.

Contributed for all purposes, \$383.20.

Chapels, 20. Total value of mission property, \$35,460.

JAPAN MISSION.

Work opened in 1886 by Drs. J. W. and W. R. Lambuth and O. A. Dukes. Japan has been stirred from centre to circumference during the past year, and is under conviction, if not in a state of transition. The elimination of all moral teaching in the Government schools and the substitution of that which is purely ethical and utilitarian have so seriously affected student life and society at large that a reaction has set in in favor of religion. The inauguration of a Forward Movement by missionaries and Japanese pastors has been most gracious in

its results, and will continue to bear fruit, not only in the centres of learning, but in villages and rural districts where the evangelistic campaign has been vigorously prosecuted.

In spite of the disturbed condition of the country, resulting from the war with Russia, the Kwansei Gakuin has had a year of growth and prosperity. In the mere matter of numbers the roll has increased to two hundred and twenty-nine, which is sixty-two more than the number reported last year.

Enrollment of Palmore Institute for this year, 497; average monthly attendance, 173. Eleven young men joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and four were received into the Congregational Church.

Lambuth Memorial Bible Training School, in charge of Miss Ida M. Worth, has had the best year in its history. Miss Worth reports seven students in regular training class, besides the pupils of the kindergarten. This is a new department of work in the institution, and gives promise of excellent results.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 16; married missionaries, female, 16; single missionaries, male, 1; single missionaries, female, 7. Total, 40.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 12; local preachers, 15; Bible women, 7; other helpers, 10. Total, 44.

Work.—Districts, 3; stations and circuits, 14.

Schools.—Schools, 4; teachers, 40; pupils, 1,170; pupils in night schools, 368.

Churches, 11; value, \$10,265; parsonages, 5; value, \$1,487; school buildings, 4; value, \$54,860. Total value of mission property, \$66,612.

BRAZIL MISSION.

In 1874, Rev. J. J. Ransom was sent out to organize and superintend work that had been begun by Rev. J. E. Newman. The new mission grew rapidly, and has proved a wide and open door.

The Collegio Methodista, in Riberio Preto, is doing a good work for the girls.

Granbery College is now in its thirteenth year. It has gained the confidence and respect of many in this country. By a recent act of the government, it will soon be given a college charter. This means larger and better patronage in the future, and a much wider field of usefulness. The gymnasium course of study is six years, in some lines reaching up to the ordinary college of the United States, in others falling below.

The property consists of a town lot, sixty by one hundred and forty-eight meters, on which stand the original, old, ram-

bling, one-story dwelling house and and the beautiful, solid, convenient, three-story edifice which now nears completion.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 15; married missionaries, female, 15; single missionary, male, 1. Total, 31.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 20; local preachers, 9. Total, 29.

Work.—Districts, 5; stations and circuits, 47.

Churches, 17; value, \$79,787.75; parsonages, 8; value, \$14,125; school building, 1; value, \$50,000. Total value of mission property, \$143,912.75.

MEXICAN MISSIONS.

CENTRAL MEXICO.

In 1873, Bishop Keener visited the City of Mexico, and was so impressed with the importance of occupying it immediately as a mission field that he purchased property for a place of worship, and in June of that year sent Alejo Hernandez, a converted Mexican, to occupy the station.

In December, 1873, Rev. Joel T. Daves was placed in charge of the mission. Hernandez, though paralyzed, was able to render Daves valuable assistance until a short time before his death. He was ordained an elder by Bishop Keener in 1874. Two other converted Mexicans were employed to assist Mr. Daves in mission work. In the latter part of the year 1875 Mr. Daves retired from the mission, leaving a membership of 83.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 4; married missionaries, female, 4; single missionary, male, 1. Total, 9.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 19; local preachers, 17. Total, 36.

Work.—Districts, 3; stations and circuits, 29.

Members.—Members, 3,015; net increase, 130; adults baptized, 139; infants baptized, 189.

Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues.—Sunday-schools, 47; officers and teachers, 129; Sunday-school scholars, 1,207; Epworth Leagues, 18; members, 549.

Self-supporting churches, 2; collected for support of ministry, \$921.77; missions, \$777.33; Church Extension, \$78.75; Bishops, \$20.87; American Bible Society, \$28.53; Conference Claimants, \$56.75. Total for all purposes, \$1,884.

Churches, 26; value, \$62,019.89; parsonages, 12; value, \$33,573. Total value of mission property, \$95,592.89.

MEXICAN BORDER.

(Organized in 1885.)

Our schools are doing a fine work. Miss Roberts, the principal of Saltillo School says: "With few exceptions, all our boarders are Christians or members of Christian families. A majority of the students in the normal classes are Christians. The ten students who graduated from the normal class last year are all Christians, and are now teaching in mission schools. Three under-graduates have positions in the public schools of this city. The demand for teachers trained in our school is more than we can supply. We are in sore need of enlargement and equipment." Miss Park, of Laredo Schools, says: "The prospects for the future are good. We have pupils from all parts of Mexico and Texas, and our school is growing in influence as well as in other respects. We need an endowment." The Rosebud School, Laurens Institute, here at Monterey, is doing surprisingly well, especially considering the difficulties it has had to encounter during the past two or three years. Having the right man in the right place in the person of Mr. F. C. Campbell, we feel that a large degree of success is secured to it.

The efficiency of the medical work will be sufficiently brought out in the following: From the beginning of March to the present date there have been 6,733 free outside clinics, and 196 pay patients and 39 charity patients in hospital, making a total of 235. About one-half of the pay patients and about two-thirds of the charity are Mexicans. During this time there has been received, from all sources, \$10,038.90; and during the same time there has been expended \$8,783.45.

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 6; missionaries, female, 6. Total, 12.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 17; local preachers, 16. Total, 33.

Work.—Districts, 2; stations and circuits, 22.

Members.—Members, 2,262; net increase, 166; adults baptized, 184.

Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues.—Sunday-schools, 46; officers and teachers, 142; Sunday-school scholars, 1,685; Epworth Leagues, 15; members, 490.

Schools.—School, 1; teachers, 7; pupils, 220; Woman's Board schools, 2; teachers, 24; pupils, 1,030.

Hospital, 1; patients treated, 166; free out-of-door clinics, 6,896.

Self-supporting churches, none; collected for support of ministry, \$1,635; missions, \$385; Church Extension, \$88.74; Bishops, \$23.65; American Bible Society, \$30.43; Conference Claimants, \$272.25. Total for all purposes, \$2,435.07.

Churches, 24; value, \$52,240; parsonages, 7; value, \$12,840; school building, 1; value, \$20,000; hospital, 1; value, \$12,500. Total value of mission property, \$107,580.

NORTHWEST MEXICAN MISSION.

(Organized in 1890.)

Foreign Workers.—Married missionaries, male, 6; married missionaries, female, 6; single missionaries, female, 2. Total, 14.

Native Workers.—Traveling preachers, 8; local preachers, 18. Total, 26.

Work.—Districts, 2; stations and circuits, 16.

Self-supporting church, 1; collected for support of ministry, \$902.27; missions, \$608.83; Church Extension, \$93.20; Bishops, \$25.00; American Bible Society, \$20.49; Conference Claimants, \$35.50. Total for all purposes, \$1,685.29.

Churches, 17; value, \$19,714.99; parsonages, 8; value, \$6,300. Total value of mission property, \$26,014.99.

CUBA.

This mission was organized in 1896, and in 1898 was taken under the control of the Board of Missions. The schools have continued to prosper. The good work being done by Candler College is inestimable, and the prospects for greater usefulness grow brighter. The administration of Rev. E. E. Clements is successful and satisfactory to the patrons and the authorities of the church. Colegio Ingles, at Camaguey, under the direction of Rev. B. F. Gilbert, is growing in importance and usefulness. The school at Santa Clara is also doing a good work. If it were possible to open schools at some other points, they would be of great advantage to us.

Missionaries, 11; wives of missionaries, 9; societies, 21; local preachers, 4; members, 1,472. Total, 1,476.

Additions by profession of faith, 472; additions by certificate and otherwise, 73; dismissed by certificate, death, etc., 69; adults baptized, 462; infants baptized, 169; candidates, 1,008.

Church buildings, 13; value of church buildings, \$40,300; parsonages, 4; value of parsonages, \$3,310; value of other property, \$2,393.50; number of Epworth Leagues, 9; members, 416; amount collected by Leagues for all purposes, \$156.39.

Number of Sunday-schools, 24; officers and teachers, 100; pupils matriculated, 1,310; amount collected for all purposes by the Sunday-schools, \$327.10.

Pastor's support, \$195.98; missions, \$515.65; Church Extension, \$189.54; American Bible Society, \$50.00; incidental ex-

penses, \$1,928.88; special objects, \$1,955.89. Grand total for all purposes, \$5,308.53.

Schools, 4; American missionaries and teachers, 9; native teachers, 9. Total, 18. Pupils matriculated, 411; present attendance, 330; received from tuition, \$5,085.24; value of equipment, \$2,838.54; value of real estate and buildings, \$32,000.

GERMAN MISSION.

In 1842 work was begun among the German immigrants who were coming in such numbers into New Orleans. Later the mission passed over into Texas, and in 1890 became the German Mission Conference. The results of this work have been most encouraging. The membership of 11,443 contributes annually for missions \$1.00 per capita, and \$8.00 to \$10.00 for all other purposes. The joint commission of representatives of the other Texas Conferences, with one from the German Conference, has done much to inspire those engaged in the work and to bind these German Methodists into closer union with the whole church by this expression of sympathy. While carrying the Gospel to the nations beyond, we must not forget the opportunity of conserving its influence among the people who are now among us.

INDIAN MISSION.

This work, organized in 1884, includes in the bounds of the Indian Mission Conference efforts to reach the whites, mixed-bloods, full-bloods, and blanket Indians. There is danger, however, that the influx of whites into the Territory will draw off the proper attention which should be bestowed upon the natives who are far from being amply provided for.

WORK AMONG THE HEBREWS.

From the condition of the field, to which I have been able only to allude, it will be seen that the work of the missionary to the Jews must be largely itinerant in its nature. The church must be aroused to the need the Jews have of the Gospel, and the Jews themselves must be taught what true Christianity really is. In order to carry out this double object, I visited, during the ten months, many of the charges in the North and South Georgia Conferences and some charges in the Tennessee, Louisville, and North and South Carolina Conferences. Without a single exception, many Jews attended the services, and, under the blessing of God, good has been accomplished.

On account of the exceptional interest of the Jews in Macon, I visited that city three times during the year. At each of the services a large number of Jews were present, and at the last service the rabbi also was present. This fact ought to be mentioned in this connection: At the close of the service (the last held in Macon) a venerable Jew remained in the church till almost every one had gone, and with a troubled countenance and in a bewildered manner, spoke to me as follows: "O, I would give everything in the world if, when a young man, I could have heard such a message as you delivered this morning. I am old now and cannot think." This cry, almost of despair, affected me very much, especially as I thought of the large number of Jewish young men all over the country who would be glad to hear of the Gospel of salvation, and of how the churches, through apathy, prejudice, and misunderstanding, are neglecting them.—Rev. Julius Magath.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1905-06.

Brazil Mission Conference	\$49,828
China Mission Conference	42,100
Korea Mission	14,257
Japan Mission Conference	44,344
Northwest Mexican Mission Conference.....	19,741
Central Mexico Mission Conference.....	21,327
Mexican Border Mission Conference.....	20,690
Cuba Mission	22,545
Indian Mission Conference	11,296
German Mission Conference.....	4,400
Pacific Conference	4,840
Los Angeles Conference.....	4,350
Columbia Conference	3,100
East Columbia Conference	2,650
Denver Conference	4,500
Montana Conference	3,950
Western Conference	1,600
New Mexico Conference	4,500
Florida Conference	3,100
Representative on Pacific Coast.....	1,500
Jewish Mission	1,300
Training School	2,500
South Atlantic Missionary Conference.....	400
Brownsville, Tex.	150
Expense	24,800
Total	313,768

ASSESSMENTS.

Alabama Conference	\$13,513
Arkansas Conference	4,851
Baltimore Conference	15,823
Brazil Mission Conference	770
Central Mexico Mission Conference.....	500
China Mission Conference	231
Columbia Conference	539
Denver Conference	500
East Columbia Conference	770
Florida Conference	4,950
German Mission Conference	462
Holston Conference	12,100
Illinois Conference	660
Indian Mission Conference	6,083
Japan Mission Conference	115
Kentucky Conference	8,701
Little Rock Conference	8,239
Los Angeles Conference	1,116
Louisville Conference	11,396
Memphis Conference	13,860
Louisiana Conference	8,470
Mexican Border Mission Conference.....	385
Mississippi Conference	10,241
Missouri Conference	12,474
Montana Conference	462
New Mexico Conference	550
North Alabama Conference	15,169
North Carolina Conference	15,438
North Georgia Conference	22,709
North Mississippi Conference	11,473
North Texas Conference	13,282
Northwest Mexican Conference	269
Northwest Texas Conference.....	14,300
Pacific Conference	2,640
South Carolina Conference	19,288
South Georgia Conference	16,131
Southwest Missouri Conference.....	9,394
St. Louis Conference	7,815
Tennessee Conference	15,554
Texas Conference	9,900
Virginia Conference	25,248
West Texas Conference	5,500
Western Conference	500
Western North Carolina Conference	16,285
Western Virginia Conference.....	2,200
White River Conference	4,999

MISSIONARY TRAINING SCHOOL.

SOME FACTS.

The first session of the School opened January 4, 1905, and continued eight weeks, closing February 28th.

Sixty-one students were matriculated.

One hundred and twenty class-room lectures and seventy-two public addresses were delivered.

Over forty teachers and speakers were on the programme and took part in the work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The next session begins Wednesday, January 3, 1906.

The session will be divided into three terms of three weeks each.

First Term: Work of the Church in the Country. January 3rd to 23rd.

Second Term: Work of the Church in the City. January 24th to February 13th.

Third Term: Work of the Church in Foreign Fields. February 14th to March 6th.

The School is open to all Christian workers of both sexes.

The only fee is six dollars for matriculation and tuition.

OBJECTS.

The objects of the Missionary Training School are:

- (1) To teach the English Bible.
- (2) To train Bible teachers and Christian workers.
- (3) To promote the study of missions.
- (4) To study and apply practical church methods.
- (5) To deepen the spiritual life and stimulate Christian service.

FACULTY.

Walter R. Lambuth, D. D., Seth Ward, D. D., W. F. Tillet, D. D., O. E. Brown, D. D., E. B. Chappell, D. D., John A. Kern, D. D., J. L. Cuninggim, B. D., J. H. Stevenson, Ph. D., H. M. Hamill, D. D., J. E. McCulloch, B. D., Thos. Carter, B. D., D. K. Lambuth, M. A., G. W. Dyer, M. A., H. B. Carre, B. D.

SPEAKERS.

It is impossible at this time to give a list of the speakers, but public addresses will be delivered each week by leaders of our church and by educators of national reputation.

CATALOGUE.

The catalogue of the Training School, giving full information concerning courses of study, speakers, expenses, and other details, will be sent later, free of charge, to persons who fill out and return the attached private mailing card. All inquiries and correspondence concerning the School should be addressed to the Secretary, J. E. McCulloch, 701 Fifth Avenue, South, Nashville, Tenn.

OUR LATEST MISSION.

The advent of the Italian in large numbers to the seaport cities and contiguous rural districts of the South lays upon us a new obligation. One mission has been formed at Tampa by the Florida Conference, and through the kindness of Bishop Burt, of the M. E. Church, a pastor has been secured who is laboring among these degenerate children of ancient Rome.

Erratum.—On page 126 the entire Church is represented as paying for Home and Foreign Missions "fifty cents" per member. It should be "fifty-seven" cents. This was the estimate before the later statistics in the earlier part of the Handbook were received.

MISSIONARY STATISTICS OF THE EVANGELICAL CHURCHES IN THE UNITED STATES.

	Number of Missionaries— Men and Women.	Native Work- ers—Men and Women.	Professing Christians.	Income.
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	20	284	15,500	.....
American Advent Woman's Missionary Society.....	10	38	300	\$14,103
American Advent Woman's Missionary Society.....	3	15	.....	.....
American Baptist Missionary Union.....	520	4,249	165,805	738,585
American Board Commissioners Foreign Missions.....	570	4,185	163,819	725,570
American Church Missionary Society.....	7	9	1,000	.....
American Friends' Board of Foreign Missions.....	87	251	7,744	70,633
American Ramabai Association.....	.....	.....	.....	9,271
Central American Mission.....	28	.....	.....	5,000
Christian Church.....	12	13	600	19,138
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	214	120	4,883	119,912
Christian Woman's Board of Missions.....	68	53	.....	167,085
Cumberland Presbyterian Board of Missions.....	30	42	1,600	150,087
Evangelical Association.....	6	24	.....	.....
Foreign Christian Missionary Society.....	143	295	14,000	251,827
Free Baptist—General Conference.....	18	186	3,500	.....
Free Methodist of North America.....	23	30	.....	26,780
German Baptist Brethren.....	23	36	.....	36,289
German Evangelical Synod, North America.....	16	78	4,924	22,354
Hauge's Synod China Mission.....	12	.....	.....	.....

Hephzibah Faith Missionary Association.....	22			
Lutheran (Free Church) Board.....	8	37		13,943
Lutheran General Council.....	14	253	9,283	22,971
Lutheran General Synod.....	27	512	26,362	61,278
Lutheran Church in the South.....	6	6	200	5,972
Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States.....	709	6,168	247,264	1,422,716
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	241	199	13,000	.....
Methodist Protestant Church.....	17	15	619	14,295
Methodist Protestant Woman's Foreign Mission.....				6,189
Presbyterian Church, North.....	837	2,160	150,000	1,131,511
Presbyterian Church, South.....	164	195	17,000	236,757
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	144	499	10,200	316,740
Reformed Church in America.....	95	574	10,000	142,475
Reformed (German) Church in the United States.....	22	100	.....	69,500
Reformed Presbyterian Church in N. A.	18			.....
Scandinavian Alliance Miss., N. A.	100	8		.....
Seventh Day Adventists General Conference.....	67	107	4,000	.....
Seventh Day Baptist Missionary Society.....	6	18	100	.....
Southern Baptist Convention.....	138	215	15,000	238,053
United Brethren in Christ.....	6	31	500	111,688
United Evangelical Church, Foreign Church Missions.....	8	7	15	85,295
United Presbyterian Church of N. A.	153	796	30,231	219,239
Woman's Union Missionary Society of the United States.....	15	125	.....	105,318
Total United States.....	4,627	21,933	926,449	6,560,574

CHURCH EXTENSION.

(Organized in 1882.)

**OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL BOARD.
1902-1906.****OFFICERS.**

1890. R. B. Gilbert, M. D., President.....Louisville, Ky.
 1882. John L. Wheat, Esq., Vice-President—Louisville, Ky.
 1898. Rev. P. H. Whisner, D. D., Cor. Sec....Louisville, Ky.
 1901. Wilbur F. Barclay, Esq., Ass't Cor. Sec..Louisville, Ky.
 1886. John Ouerbacker, Esq., Treasurer.....Louisville, Ky.

MANAGERS, EX-OFFICIO.

1882. Bishop John C. Keener, D. D.....New Orleans, La.
 1882. Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D.....Baltimore, Md.
 1882. Bishop John C. Granbery, D. D.....Ashland, Va.
 1882. Bishop Robert K. Hargrove, D. D.....Nashville, Tenn.
 1886. Bishop William W. Duncan, D. D...Spartanburg, S. C.
 1886. Bishop Charles B. Galloway, D. D.....Jackson, Miss.
 1886. Bishop Eugene R. Hendrix, D. D.....Kansas City, Mo.
 1886. Bishop Joseph S. Key, D. D.....Sherman, Tex.
 1886. Bishop Oscar P. Fitzgerald, D. D.....Nashville, Tenn.
 1894. Bishop Henry C. Morrison, D. D.....New Orleans, La.
 1898. Bishop Warren A. Candler, D. D.....Atlanta, Ga.
 1902. Bishop E. Embree Hoss, D. D.....Dallas, Tex.
 1902. Bishop A. Coke Smith, D. D.....Norfolk, Va.
 1898. Rev. W. R. Lambuth, D. D., Sec. B'd Mis. Nashville, Tenn.

MANAGERS.

1886. Rev. M. H. Neely, D. D.....Plano, Tex.
 1890. Rev. S. M. Hosmer, D. D.....Greensboro, Ala.
 1894. T. L. Jefferson, Esq.....Louisville, Ky.
 1895. Pressly H. Tapp, Esq.....Louisville, Ky.
 1898. T. S. Garrison, Esq.....Timpson, Tex.
 1898. Rev. J. D. Harper.....Lafayette, La.
 1898. Rev. T. W. Lewis.....Tupelo, Miss.
 1902. Rev. P. B. Hicks.....Wagoner, Ind. Ter.
 1902. Rev. W. F. McMurry, D. D.....St. Louis, Mo.
 1902. Walter S. Mitchell, Esq.....St. Louis, Mo.
 1902. Rev. M. J. Cofer.....Atlanta, Ga.
 1904. Thomas B. Morton, Esq.....Louisville, Ky.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Executive—Barclay and Lewis.

Applications—Gilbert and Mitchell.

Nominations—The Bishops.

Finance—Wheat, Jefferson, Tapp, Duncan, Lambuth, and Harper.

Loan Funds—Hosmer and Cofer.

Anniversary—Garrison and McMurry.

The President, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer are ex-officio members of all the foregoing committees except those on Finance and Nominations.

PURPOSE OF THE BOARD.

The purpose of the Board is to aid in "the purchase or securing of church lots and the erection or securing of church buildings and parsonages." The office of the Board is located in Louisville, Ky. It is incorporated under a special act of the Legislature of Kentucky. The revenues of the Board are "derived from annual collections in every congregation, from special collections by the Corresponding Secretary, and by the Woman's Home Mission Society, and by the Bishops, and from gifts, devises, and bequests." Each Annual Conference has an Auxiliary Church Extension Board, which is entitled to retain and apply within the bounds of the Conference 50 per cent of all funds coming into its hands, the other 50 per cent passing to the Parent Board for administration. The Board has a loan fund of \$210,000.

City Boards of Church Extension may be organized in cities having three or more pastoral charges for co-operation in local Church Extension work. Their funds are to be raised by special collections, and no part of their work is to conflict with the collections and operations of the General and Conference Boards of Church Extension.

CONDENSED REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, APRIL 28, 1905.

Dear Brethren:—The Board of Church Extension during the past year aided 156 churches, giving them \$46,120 and lending them \$57,750.

The Conference Boards aided 421 churches, giving them \$50,589, so that the Church Extension organization distributed in gifts during the year \$96,709 and in loans \$57,750. Twenty-five churches received aid from both General and Conference Boards: making allowance for these, so as to count none twice, the net number aided during the year is 552, the highest in our history.

It gives me pleasure to report that during the year which closed March 31, 1905, the collections for Church Extension on the assessments reached the sum of \$100,138.26, which is an increase of \$7,945.44 on the collections of the preceding years.

This is slightly over 80 per cent of the assessment, and is appreciated as a sign of increasing interest among our people in this department of our church work, and yet in view of the very large demands made upon the Boards and the great need of the church, both in the Home and Foreign Field, it is greatly to be regretted that it is not 100 per cent of the assessment.

We have collected during the year \$51,470.16 of the principal of our outstanding loans, and \$7,023.40 of accrued interest. Of this interest, \$1,922.50 has been consumed in annuities and \$303.97 in other expenses, leaving a net gain from interest of \$4,796.93. We greatly regret that so many of our people who borrow from our Loan Fund fail to return the money when it falls due.

The Discipline of the Church very wisely provides for City Boards of Church Extension in any of our cities in which we have as many as three churches. I regret to have to report that in many of our cities this important provision of our Discipline is ignored. Our cities are outgrowing our churches, and, in fact, in many cases, are outgrowing all the churches. It becomes our city people to actively engage as a unit in advancing every movement for the enlarging of our facilities for usefulness. It seems that it would be far better for our city people to combine in securing the second and third churches, and thus go in advance of the very wise provision referred to, than that they should ignore it.

The St. Louis, Louisville and Kansas City Church Extension Boards are the only ones that have made report to this office as the Discipline directs. These organizations are doing a very important work for the church in these growing cities. The St. Louis Board has raised during the year \$27,014.44. The Louisville Board has raised \$3,538.66. The Kansas City Board is very wisely and heartily engaged in building an Open Door Church, which will be of very vast benefit in the practical application of the principles of Christianity to the masses of the population of the city. We most urgently advise our people in all our cities to organize City Church Extension Boards, as the Discipline requires, and by the most complete co-operation, including all our people, embracing every opportunity of usefulness that offers.

We have now in the office, awaiting action by the Board, applications for near \$100,000 in donations and about \$70,000 in loans. Under our rule we may grant as much as \$47,000 in donations and as much as \$50,000 in loans. The annual growth of the church in the Home and Foreign Fields serves to constantly increase the pressure upon us, and if the income of the Board was more than double what it has at any time been,

it could only partially provide for the growing necessities of the church.

We have no more inviting field in which our people of means could with their utmost liberality attempt to provide for the future prosperity of the church

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. WHISNER,
Corresponding Secretary.

SUMMARY OF CHURCHES AIDED FROM THE BEGINNING.

1882 to March 31, 1905.

EAST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Alabama Conference, 227; Baltimore Conference, 177; Florida Conference, 143; Holston Conference, 201; Illinois Conference, 53; Kentucky Conference, 105; Louisville Conference, 148; Memphis Conference, 216; Mississippi Conference, 200; North Alabama Conference, 201; North Carolina Conference, 223; North Georgia Conference, 308; North Mississippi Conference, 223; South Carolina Conference, 268; South Georgia Conference, 246; Tennessee Conference, 200; Virginia Conference, 259; Western North Carolina Conference, 213; Western Virginia Conference, 93. Total, 3,704.

WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

Arkansas Conference, 124; Columbia Conference, 35; Denver Conference, 23; East Columbia Conference, 27; German Mission Conference, 17; Indian Mission Conference, 206; Little Rock Conference, 175; Los Angeles Conference, 37; Louisiana Conference, 120; Missouri Conference, 158; Montana Conference, 23; New Mexico Conference, 27; North Texas Conference, 185; Northwest Texas Conference, 219; Pacific Conference, 49; St. Louis Conference, 126; Southwest Missouri Conference, 119; Texas Conference, 249; Western Conference, 41; West Texas Conference, 123; White River Conference, 106. Total, 2,189.

IN FOREIGN CONFERENCES.

Brazil Mission Conference, 8; Central Mexico Mission Conference, 12; China Mission Conference (in China), 1; China Mission Conference (in Korea), 2; Cuban Mission, 3; Japan Mission Conference, 4; Mexican Border Mission Conference (in Mexico), 10; Mexican Border Mission Conference (in United States), 6; Northwest Mexican Mission Conference (in Mexico), 9; Northwest Mexican Mission Conference (in United States), 6. Total, 61.

RECAPITULATION.

East of Mississippi River, 3,704; West of Mississippi River, 2,189; in Foreign Missions, 61. Total, 5,954.

SUMMARY OF MEMORIAL LOAN FUNDS, THEIR
WORK AND INCREASE FROM BEGINNING TO
MARCH 31, 1905

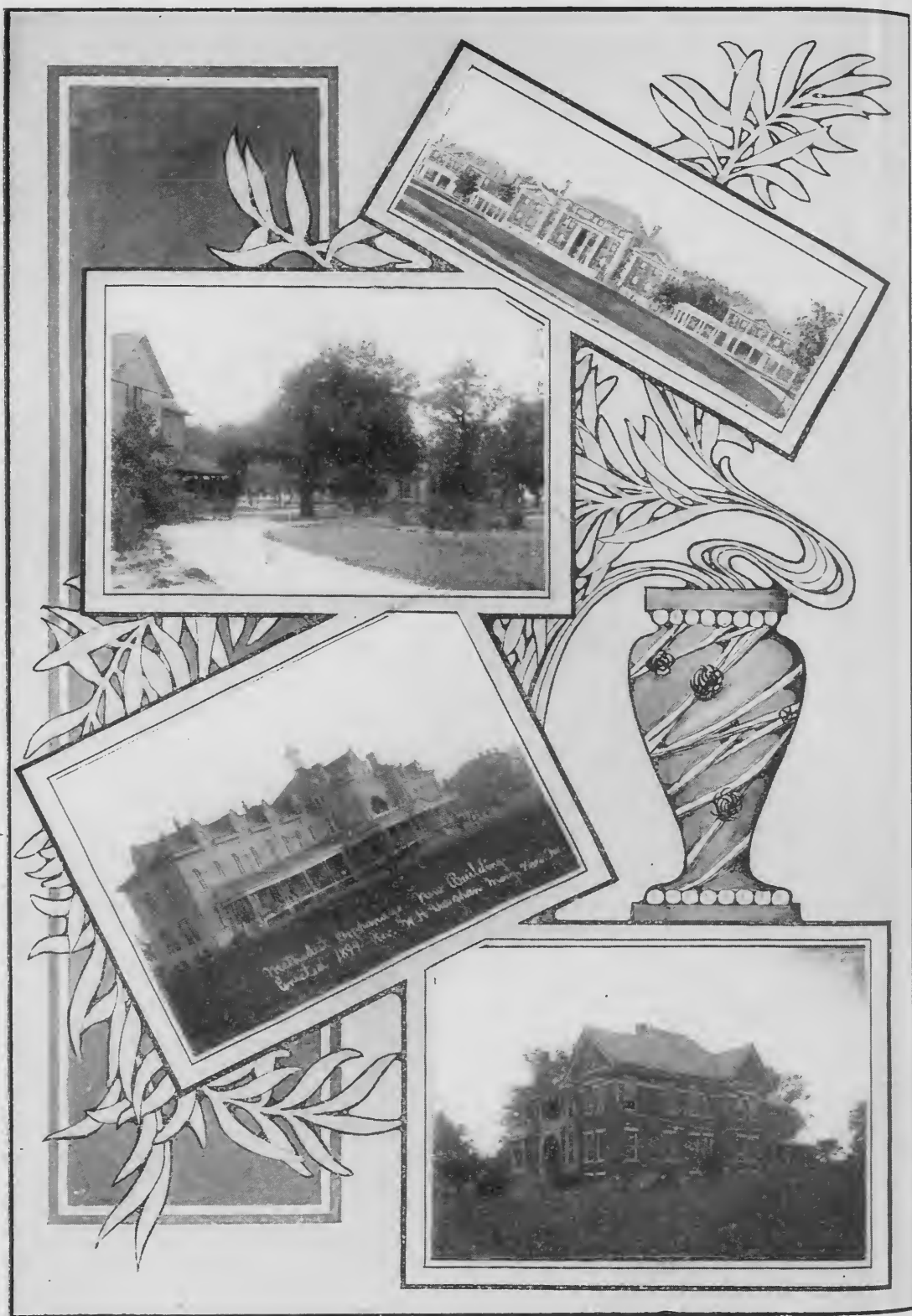
Hubbard Hinde Kavanaugh, 1884-96, \$16,071.82.
 Enoch Mather Marvin, 1886-91, \$7,710.44.
 Robert Paine, 1886-92, \$5,811.85.
 George W. D. Harris, 1886-92, \$5,357.69.
 James Osgood Andrew, 1888-93, \$5,338.07.
 Green-McFerrin, 1887-91, \$1,332.81.
 Linus Parker, 1888-91, \$1,096.40.
 Aleri A. Morrison, 1889-92, \$4,598.14.
 Abram B. Bowman, 1889-95, \$5,000.00.
 Moses U. Payne, 1889-99, \$25,000.00.
 Mrs. Learner B. Stateler, 1891-1905, \$8,878.90.
 Fletcher Wilson, 1892-93, \$5,000.00.
 Lindsey-Wilson, 1892-93, \$5,000.00.
 "W," 1892-98, \$7,000.00.
 Eliza L. Webb, 1894, \$1,000.00.
 Abraham Collett, 1894-1905, \$9,500.00.
 Jacob Henry, 1895, \$1,000.00.
 George W. Merritt, 1896, \$2,000.00.
 Young L. G. Harris, 1897-98, \$10,208.32.
 Sarah C. Clark, 1897, \$1,367.50.
 James S. Lithgow, 1895, \$6,470.00.
 David Morton, 1898-1905, \$25,322.95.
 Total to March 31, 1905, \$160,064.89.
 Total to March 31, 1904, \$159,553.89.
 Increase, \$511.00.

TWENTY-FOURTH ASSESSMENT.

Alabama Conference	\$4,387
Arkansas Conference	1,575
Baltimore Conference	5,137
Brazil Mission Conference	250
Central Mexico Conference	162
China Mission Conference	75
Columbia Conference	175
Denver Conference	162
East Columbia Conference	250
Florida Conference	2,062
German Mission Conference	150
Holston Conference	4,250
Illinois Conference	637

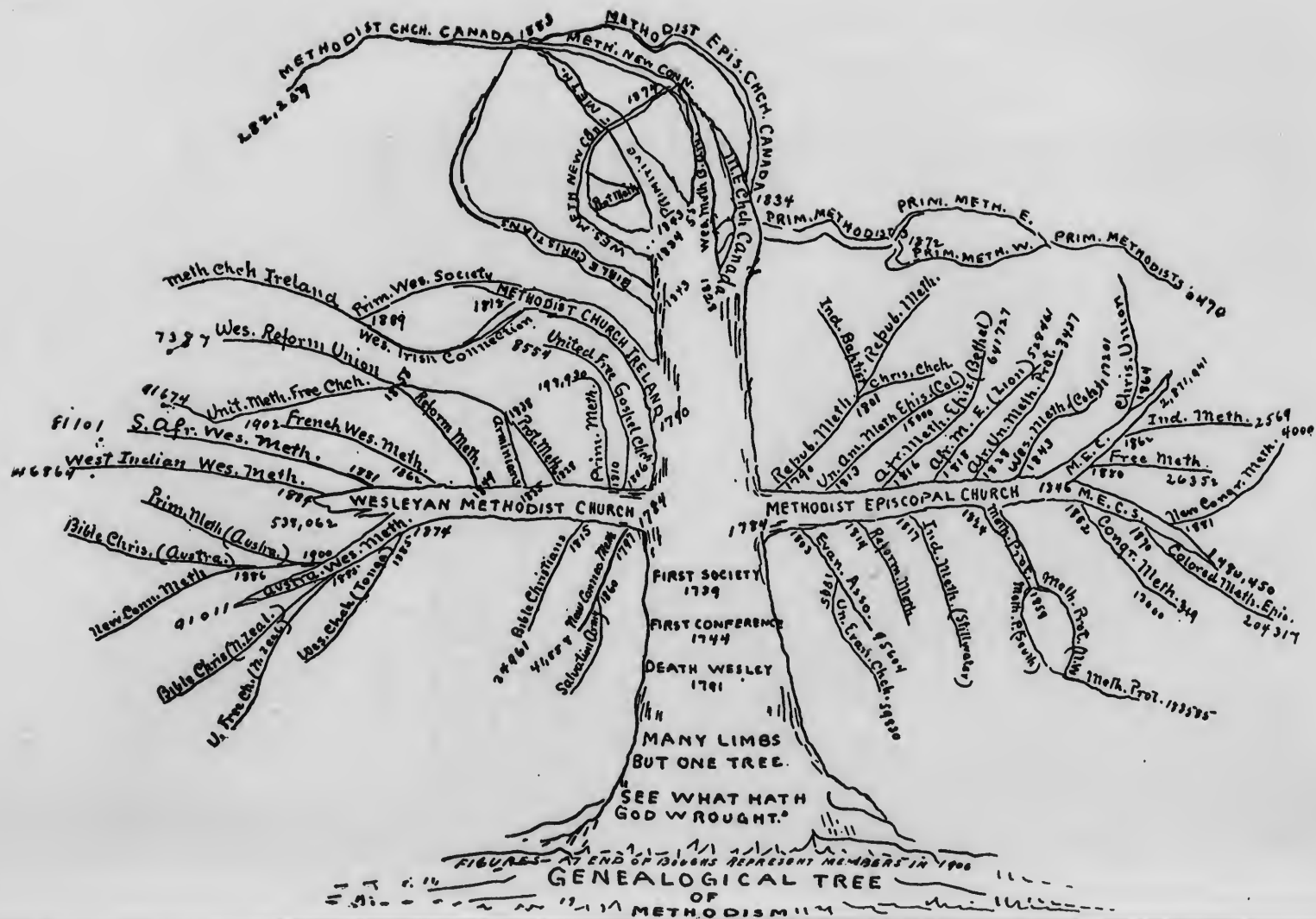


1. REV. J. W. JENKINS, Supt. Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, N. C.
2. REV. W. B. WHARTON, Supt. Epworth Orphanage, Columbia, S. C.
3. REV. J. T. DOZIER, Supt. S. Ga., Orphan Home, near Macon, Ga.
4. MRS. E. E. WILEY, Supt. Holston Orphanage, Gainsville, Tenn.
5. REV. C. A. JAMISON, Supt. Orphans' Home, N. Ga. Conf., Decatur, Ga.
6. REV. J. T. MASTEN, Supt. Va. Conference Orphanage, Richmond, Va.
7. REV. W. H. VAUGHN, Supt. Texas Orphanage, Waco, Texas.



EPWORTH ORPHANAGE, Columbia, S. C. VA. METHODIST ORPHANAGE, Richmond.
METHODIST ORPHANAGE, Waco, Texas. HOLSTON METHODIST ORPHANAGE,
Greenville, Tenn.

Indian Mission Conference	\$1,975
Japan Mission Conference.....	37
Kentucky Conference	2,825
Little Rock Conference	2,675
Los Angeles Conference	362
Louisiana Conference	2,750
Louisville Conference	3,700
Memphis Conference	4,500
Mexican Border Mission Conference.....	125
Mississippi Conference	3,325
Missouri Conference	4,050
Montana Conference	150
New Mexico Conference	250
North Alabama Conference	4,925
North Carolina Conference	5,012
North Georgia Conference	7,437
North Mississippi Conference	3,725
North Texas Conference	4,312
Northwest Mexican Mission Conference.....	88
Northwest Texas Conference	5,763
Pacific Conference	1,100
St. Louis Conference	2,538
South Carolina Conference	6,263
South Georgia Conference	5,238
Southwest Missouri Conference.....	3,050
Tennessee Conference	5,050
Texas Conference	4,450
Virginia Conference	8,263
Western Conference	313
Western North Carolina Conference.....	5,288
Western Virginia Conference	1,988
West Texas Conference	2,363
White River Conference	1,838
Total.....	125,000



**Institutions.
Organizations.**

Dear ties of mutual succor bind
The children of our feeble race,
And if our brethren were not kind
This earth were but a weary place.

We lean on others as we walk
Life's twilight path, with pitfalls strewn ;
And 'twere an idle boast to talk
Of treading that dim path alone.

Amid the snares misfortune lays
Unseen beneath the steps of all,
Blest is the love that seeks to raise,
And stay and strengthen those who fall ;

Till taught by Him, who for our sake
Bore every form of life's distress,
With every passing year we make
The sum of human sorrow less.

—*William Cullen Bryant (in the Methodist Hymnal.)*

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

OFFICERS.

Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Sunday School Editor; Rev. L. F. Beatty, Assistant; Prof. H. M. Hamill, D. D., Superintendent of Training Work.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

Rev. James Atkins, D. D., Editor and ex-Officio Chairman; J. R. Pepper, B. M. Washburn, J. O. Willson, B. M. Burgher, and M. L. Walton.

A SHORT HISTORY OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

(From Boswell's "Short History of Methodism.")

The first Sunday-school of Methodism, if not of the world, was organized at High Wycombe, England, by Hannah Ball, an ardent young Methodist, in the year 1769. This was fourteen years before Robert Raikes began his famous school at Gloucester, which school had its origin in the mind of another young Methodist woman, Sophia Cooke, who became the wife of Samuel Bradburn, a Methodist preacher. She first "suggested to Raikes the Sunday-school idea, and actually marched with him at the head of his troop of ragged urchins the first Sunday they were taken to the parish church." (Tyerman's Life of Wesley.)

Raikes was the editor of the Gloucester Journal, but for two years he made no mention of his Sunday-school. This, perhaps, was because he regarded his "plan" as an experiment. He referred to it in his paper on November 3, 1783, and sometime in 1784 he published an account of it. It immediately attracted the attention of Mr. Wesley, who reprinted the article in the Arminian Magazine, and "exhorted his people to adopt the new institution." They took his advice. The same year Mr. John Fletcher heard of the Sunday-school, and, ever ready to adopt any measure that would help develop the spiritual nature of his flock, "set about the work." "He soon had three hundred children under instruction, and diligently trained them till his last illness."

Mr. Wesley spoke of Sunday-schools "prophetically." In his Journal for July 18, 1784, he wrote: "I find these schools springing up wherever I go; perhaps God may have a deeper end therein than men are aware of; who knows but some of these schools may be nurseries for Christians?" To-day Sunday-schools are almost universally regarded as essential, the principal nurseries of the church.

The first Sunday-school in the United States was established by Bishop Asbury, in 1786, "at the home of Thomas Crenshaw, in Hanover County, Virginia. In 1790 the first recognition of Sunday-schools by an American church was made by the vote of the Methodist Conferences, ordering their formation throughout the church, and also the compilation of a book for them." (Steven's History.) In 1827 the Sunday-school Union of the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized. Like the original Missionary Society, it was destined to become one of the strongest arms of the church. It is to-day of colossal proportions, numerically, financially, and spiritually. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, considering its ability and numbers, is not one whit behind its sister church in prosecuting its work for the salvation of the children. Its business is conducted by a Board of five, elected by the General Conference. The Sunday-school editor is Chairman of the Board.

THE BIBLE TEACHERS' STUDY CIRCLE

Among the most recent movements in the Sunday-school world is the organization by our Sunday School Board of the Bible Teachers' Study Circle, which is a movement for the better education and equipment of all our teachers and advanced Bible pupils in those things which immediately pertain to the work of teaching the Bible. This plan was put into operation in the beginning of the year 1902. After it had been in operation a few months, until May of the same year, the General Conference endorsed the plans of the Board without dissent, and so conformed the law of the church as to include its interests within the duties of presiding elders, pastors, chairmen of Sunday School Boards, etc. The course of study is arranged in three parts, at the option of the Sunday School Board, consisting of three books each. The method of procedure is by the organization of local circles, with an elected leader to superintend the studies and to conduct the examinations under the rules of the department. When the members of a local circle have passed on the work of the course, a certificate is issued to each; and on the completion of the full course, a diploma from the Sunday School Department. This Department is in special charge of Dr. H. M. Hamill, whose official title is that of Superintendent of Training Work. The Superintendent passes finally upon all examinations, and in conjunction with the Sunday School Editor issues certificates, diplomas, etc., and also holds throughout the Connection up-to-date Sunday-school Institutes for the better equipment of teachers and other Sunday-school workers. Within the first six months after the plan was begun more than ten

thousand of our teachers had purchased and were studiously using more than twenty-five thousand volumes of the books specially prepared for their benefit.

The first courses consists of "The History of Sunday Schools," by Cunnynggham; "Bible Studies," by Dunning; "The Sunday School Teacher," by Hamill. The price of the set, postpaid, is one dollar. These books are all small in volume, but thoroughly vital in character. The second course consists of Boswell's "Short History of Methodism;" Hamill's "The Books of the Bible;" and "The Doctrines and Polity of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South," by Drs. Tillett and Atkins.

By act of the last General Conference it was made the duty of every pastor in our Connection to organize the Bible Teachers' Study Circle in each Sunday-school, and to give due encouragement and assistance to the teachers in their work.

The following, as finally revised and condensed by the General Sunday School Board at its annual meeting in May, 1904, constitute the official courses of study of the Bible Teachers' Study Circle.

THE TEACHERS' COURSE.

The books of this course, in cloth, three in number, at \$1.00 per set, postpaid, or 40 cents each, are as follows:

The Bible and Its Books. Hamill. A brief study of the Bible in general and a special study of its several books.

Doctrines and Polity of the M. E. Church, South. Atkins and Tillett. The pith and essence of Methodism for our Sunday-school workers.

The Sunday School Teacher. Hamill. A strong, practical book on teaching.

The "Teachers' Diploma" is issued to those completing this course.

THE OFFICERS' COURSE.

The "Officers' Course" differs from the "Teachers' Course" by one book only.

The Bible and Its Book. Hamill.

Doctrines and Polity. Atkins and Tillett.

The Organized Sunday School. Axtell. The best book on Sunday-school management.

The three books of the Officers' Course, in cloth, at \$1.00 per set, or 40 cents each.

The "Officers' Diploma" is issued to those completing this course.

PRIMARY TEACHERS' COURSE.

Whenever it is desired, primary teachers may take Black's "Practical Primary Plans," price, 75 cents, in place of "The

Sunday School Teacher.' The cost of the three books of the Primary Teachers' Course will be \$1.35. A special "Primary Teachers' Diploma" will be issued to those who complete this course.

THE INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

The Triennial Convention of the International Sunday School Association was held in Toronto, Canada, June 23-27. The next Convention will be held at Louisville, Ky.

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THE INTERNATIONAL LESSONS FOR 1906.

First Quarter.

January 7th.—(1) The Shepherds Find Jesus. Luke 2:1-20.

January 14th.—(2) The Wise Men Find Jesus. Matt. 2:1-12.

January 21st.—(3) The Boy Jesus. Luke 2:40-52.

January 28th.—(4) The Baptism of Jesus. Mark 1:1-11.

February 4th.—(5) The Temptation of Jesus. Matt. 4:1-11.

February 11th.—(6) Jesus Calling Fishermen. Luke 5:1-11.
 February 18th.—(7) A Day of Miracles in Capernaum. Mark 1:21-34.

February 25th.—(8) Jesus' Power to Forgive. Mark 2:1-12.
 March 4th.—(9) Jesus Tells Who Are Blessed. Matt. 5:1-16.
 March 11th.—(10) The Tongue and the Temp'r. Matt. 5:33-48.

March 18th.—(11) Review.

March 25th.—(12) Temperance Lesson. Prov. 23:29-35.

Second Quarter.

April 1st.—(1) The Two Foundations. Matt. 7:15-29.

April 8th.—(2) Jesus and the Sabbath. Matt. 12:1-14.

April 15th.—(3) Jesus' Power Over Disease and Death (Easter Lesson). Luke 7:1-17.

April 22nd.—(4) Jesus, the Sinner's Friend. Luke 7:36-50.

April 29th.—(5) The Parable of the Sower. Mark 4:1-20.

May 6th.—(6) The Parable of the Tares. Matt. 13:24-30; 36-43.

May 13th.—(7) A Fierce Demoniac Healed. Mark 5:1-20.

May 20th.—(8) Death of John the Baptist. Mark 6:14-29.

May 27th.—(9) Feeding the Five Thousand. Mark 6:30-44.

June 3rd.—(10) The Gentile Woman's Faith. Mark 7:24-30.

June 10th.—(11) Peter's Great Confession. Matt. 16:13-28.

June 17th.—(12) The Transfiguration. Luke 9:28-36.

June 24th.—(1) Review.

Third Quarter.

July 1st.—(1) Jesus and the Children. Matt. 18:1-14.

July 8th.—(2) The Duty of Forgiveness. Matt. 18:22.

July 15th.—(3) The Good Samaritan. Luke 10:25-37.

July 22nd.—(4) Jesus Teaching How to Pray. Luke 11:1-13.

July 29th.—(5) Jesus Dines With a Pharisee. Luke 14:1-14.

August 5th.—(6) False Excuses. Luke 14:15-24.

August 12th.—(7) The Parable of the Two Sons. Luke 15:11-32.

August 19th.—(8) The Judge, the Pharisee, and the Publican. Luke 18:1-14.

August 26th.—(9) The Rich Young Ruler. Mark 10:17-31.

September 2nd.—(1) Bartimaeus and Zacchaeus. Luke 18:35 to 19:10.

September 9th.—(11) Jesus Enters Jerusalem in Triumph. Matt. 21:1-17.

September 16th.—(12) Jesus Silences the Pharisees and Sadducees. Mark 12:13-27.

September 23rd.—(13) Review.

September 30th.—(14) Temperance Lesson. Gal. 5:15-26; 6:7-8.

Fourth Quarter.

October 7th.—(1) The Two Great Commandments. Mark 12:28-34 and 38:44.

October 14th.—(2) The Ten Virgins. Matt. 25:1-13.

October 21st.—(3) The Parable of the Talents. Matt. 25:14-30.

October 28th.—(4) Jesus Anointed in Bethany. Matt. 26:6-16.

November 4th.—(5) The Lord's Supper. Matt. 26:17-30.

November 11th.—(6) Jesus in Gethsemane. Matt. 26:36-50.

November 18th.—(7) Jesus Before Caiaphas. Matt. 26:57-68.

November 25th.—(8) The World's Temperance Sunday. Isa. 5:11-23.

December 2nd.—(9) Jesus Before Pilate. Luke 23:13-25.

December 9th.—(10) Jesus on the Cross. Luke 23:33-46.

December 16th.—(11) Jesus Risen From the Dead. Matt. 28:1-15.

December 23rd.—(12) Jesus Ascends Into Heaven. Luke 24:36-53, or Christmas Lesson, John 1:1-14.

December 30th.—(13) Review.

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Origin.—The Epworth League in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, had its origin in the spontaneous development of societies for the promotion of piety, good works, and literary pursuits, in several important pastoral charges. The first suggestion of these is perhaps impossible of identification now. Such a society existed for some years in the Lafayette Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., before the formation of the Christian Endeavor Society in Portland, Me., February, 1881. The rapid spread of the Christian Endeavor Society accelerated the movement in the Methodist churches. North and South, and in May, 1889, at a convention held in Cleveland, Ohio, the existing societies in the Methodist Episcopal Church were merged into the Epworth League. During the same month the Young People's Society in Trinity Church (M. E., South), Los Angeles, Cal., was reorganized, a co-operative movement among the Young People's Societies of our Church on the Pacific Coast initiated, and a memorial pre-

pared for submission to the next General Conference, praying for the institution of a connectional Young People's Society. This memorial was acted upon by the General Conference of 1890, and resulted in the formation of the Epworth League by a committee constituted for that purpose. The League as it then existed was placed under the Sunday-school department. Its constitution was in essentials what it now is, and its motto, "Rich in Good Works," which was subsequently changed to "All for Christ." The following General Conference (1894) organized the League as a separate department, elected S. A. Steel, D. D., General Secretary and Editor, and ordered the publication of a League paper. The "Epworth Era" was launched in August following. H. M. Du Bose, D. D., was elected General Secretary and Editor in May, 1898, and re-elected in May, 1902. Since then by election of the Epworth League Board, F. S. Parker, D. D., has been associated with Dr. Du Bose in the Secretarial and editorial work of the League office.

The maintenance of the Central Office, located at Nashville, Tenn., except the salary of the General Secretary and Editor of the Era, is provided for by an assessment of ten cents a member yearly, placed upon the local Chapters by the General Conference of 1902.

The local Chapters are chartered under the signature of the President and Secretary of the Board, carefully kept registers of the issuance of charters and of the subsequent organization of the chapters and their history being kept in the Central Office. An exact account of the payments made by each Chapter on the ten cents assessment is also kept in the Central Office.

SUMMER ASSEMBLIES.

The Seashore Epworth League Assembly, located near Biloxi, Miss., held its seventh session July 26th to August 6th. This excellent training school for League workers was organized under the direction of Rev. George D. Parker, of the Louisiana Conference, now of Brazil, and has been followed during the year 1905 by the organization, first, of the Oklahoma League Assembly, at Guthrie, Okla., which held its first session August 16th to 24th; editorial and secretarial office, 120 Grand Ave., Oklahoma City; the Texas Epworth League Assembly, which completed its organization, purchased a very attractive and servicable plant, near Corpus Christi, and held its first session during 1905, August 8th to 18th; information to be had of Mr. Gus W. Thomasson, Van Alstyne, Texas; the Arkansas League Assembly, formed under the care of the Rev. W. M. Wilson, Batesville, Ark., which held its first session July 13th to 16th, at Searcy, Ark., in the buildings of Galloway College.

These assemblies are schools of Bible Study, Methods, and Missions, and are admirably calculated to meet one of the greatest needs of the Epworth League movement. That at Biloxi has already demonstrated their value.

MISSION STUDY.

The number of Mission Study Classes in the Leagues now exceeds two hundred, and the gifts for missions and the intelligent grasp of the subject are progressing with even pace.

THE SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

The Seventh International Conference was held in Denver, Colo., July 5th to 9th, composed of the Leagues of the Methodist Episcopal, the Methodist Episcopal, South, the Canadian Methodist, and the Colored Methodist Episcopal Churches, together with their representatives from the foreign fields throughout the world. The programme was on a high plane of evangelism, its motto, "Our Home, Our Country, the World;" its watchword, "All for Christ; Christ for All."

The Eighth International Conference is to meet in the summer of 1907 at some point in the South.

THE EPWORTH ERA.

During last year the Epworth Era, the official organ of the League, reached a circulation of eighteen thousand and over, and was enlarged and improved. It is a young people's religious and literary weekly journal, publishing twenty pages each week, and monthly magazine number, handsomely illustrated and filled with choice matter, of twenty-four pages. It has now over 20,000 subscribers.

EPWORTH LEAGUE READING COURSE.

- (1) "The Blue Flower." By Henry Van Dyke.
- (2) "Self-Culture." By John Stuart Blackie.
- (3) "A New Era In Old Mexico." By George B. Winton.

The Publishing House Herald, organ of the Publishing House in Dallas. Texas says of these works:

"The first book, 'The Blue Flower,' won in a short time after its appearance a reputation that few modern books can boast. It is a story so charming, so beautiful, so uplifting in speech and teaching that it may not be described. It must be read to be appreciated. 'Self-Culture' is an old favorite, and was in a former reading series. It was put again in our course because, as a literary inspiration and a manual for those who seek self-culture, it has, in our opinion, no equal. It is yellow, unalloyed gold. 'A New Era in Old Mexico' is our missionary

book. It is from the pen of the gifted and accomplished editor of the Christian Advocate. A book on Mexico belongs in this year's course, but this book is adjusted by us to fully merit its place in itself. It is such a story of a romantic land as will not only please but profoundly instruct our Leaguers."

The price of this course will be, postpaid, \$1.50. The volumes are neatly bound in cloth, gold-stamped, and packed in card-board box. Send orders to Smith & Lamar, Agents, Nashville or Dallas.

THE CHURCH AND THE LEAGUE.

The Epworth League is not opposed to the church, is not independent of the church. It was originated by the church, does its work in the church, and is in every respect an institution of the church.

The church is God's own organization. Jesus Christ is its Head, true believers are its body, and the Holy Ghost is its soul.

The mission of the church is to enlighten, elevate, and save the world. It is adequate to the accomplishment of this work. The promise of God guarantees it. The promise and purpose of God make the one absolute certainty in the universe. The church is the one organization on earth which has the promise of all the ages, and stretches into eternity. Membership in it never lapses.

No other agency can take the place of the church, or do its work. Whether we consider the dignity of its origin, the elements that compose it, or the glorious destiny that it will finally attain, it rises immeasurably superior to all human organizations, and claims the first place in the esteem, affection and service of mankind. For God is its author, God's children compose it, and its destiny is to be consummated in the salvation of this work.

The Epworth League is the integral part of the church. If this were not so, this Epworth Book would never have been written, for the author is one of the many persons who have been bewildered and discouraged by the endless multiplication of societies in our day. This is a society-ridden age. We are a society-ridden people. It would seem that we had reached the limit in the creation of new societies in America. But there is no limit. So long as the human hearts of the dissatisfied millions of our fellow-beings are reaching out for the good they have not found; so long as ignis fatuus lights continue to rise from the marshes of error and sin; so long as there are ingenious theorists and credulous converts; so long as there are crotchety thinkers and passionate agitators in our midst, we

may expect new societies to spring up, voicing the unrest, the yearnings, the follies, and the evil passions that are everywhere seething in the hearts of men and women. This will go on yet awhile longer, but will end in the good time that will surely come. Men will swing round the circle of theorizing and empiricising and experiment. They will go on making new religious systems of political economy that antagonize common-sense and human nature, and perish at their birth; they will go on devising new schemes of philanthropy that lacking any principle of violating or universality are necessarily local and transient in character. When this circle shall have been completed, and not before, humanity will find peace for its restless heart and a remedy for its evils in the Gospel of Christ.

The Epworth League belongs to the glorious Church of Christ, and all the members of it are loyal sons and daughters of the church. They share in the work of the church, bear gladly their part of its burdens, claim a part in the promises made to the church by its gracious Head, and will receive their reward when the crowning day shall come.

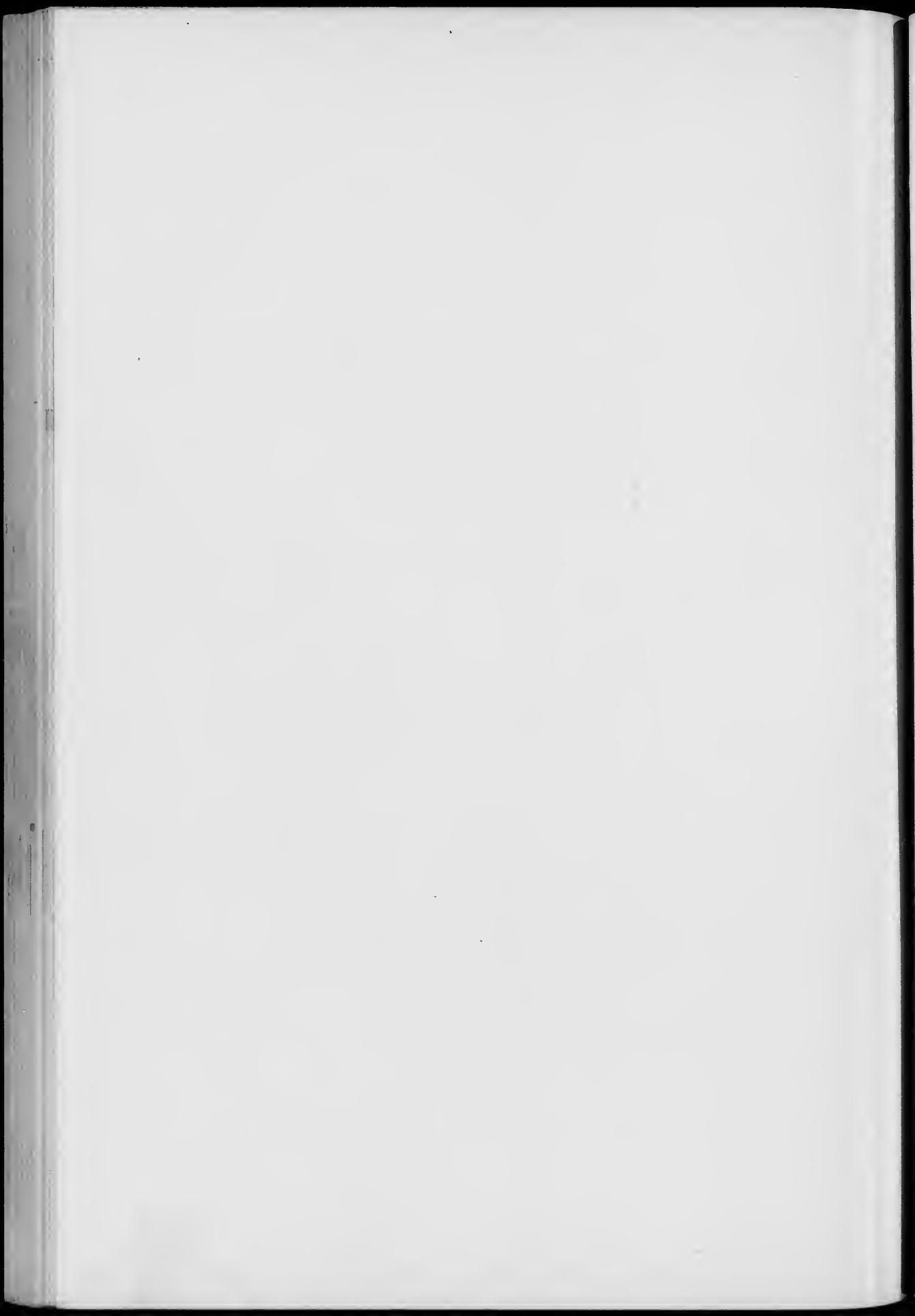
It is a great honor to be identified with the Church of God. and every intelligent and right-minded member of the Epworth League will give the church the first place in his love and service. The more he prizes the League the more he will value the church which originated it, and of which it is an integral part; the more pleasure and profit he gets from the League the more grateful he will be for the church. Loyalty to the church is a cardinal principle with all members of the Epworth League who properly understand its origin, its spirit, and its aims.

A recent sprightly writer, noticing what some one has called a "senseless zeal" for organization manifest in our American life which he thinks ought to be discouraged, and which he acknowledged to be without support, in facts, says: "But underlying this spirit which is now abroad there may be a providential purpose. More than the natural outgrowth of our political system, it may be the workings of that spirit of co-operation with which society is yet to be energized that the 'organized selfishness' which causes so much oppression and suffering in our modern civilization must ultimately be overcome. Through this spirit—essentially the spirit of the Gospel of Christ—our labor troubles may yet find solution; capitalist and artisan, employer and employee may dwell together in peace. If this be the spirit underlying the demand for organization, the firmer hold it takes upon the young people of to-day the better.

"No rarer gem has John Ruskin given us than his passage in 'Modern Painters' in illustration of this principle of co-



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operation from the possible changes in the dust on which we tread. In an ounce of slime he finds soot, clay, sand, and water at helpless war with each other. Allowing the atoms of each substance to come into closest possible relations, the clay rids itself of all foreign substances, becomes white earth, then finest porcelain, and finally a lovely sapphire. In a similar way the sand becomes an opal, the soot a diamond, the water a dew-drop, and by crystallization a star. 'And for the ounce of slime which we had by political economy of competition we have a political economy of co-operation a sapphire, an opal, and a diamond, set in the midst of a star of snow.'" (Jacob Embury Price, in "Epworth League Workers.")

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ABSTRACT FROM BISHOP'S ADDRESS TO GENERAL CONFERENCE, MAY, 1898.

It would be unjust to our Church not to mention in this connection the admirable service our godly women are rendering. They are not men, and do not seek to be, but are what God intended them: helpmeets for men—just as meet in the church as in the family, and just as valuable, not to say indispensable. The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions is now just twenty years old. Already they have fifty missionaries in the foreign field, and one hundred and thirty-two native helpers and teachers, and thirty-seven Bible women, making a total force of two hundred and nineteen; while the General Board has

one hundred and four missionaries, eighty-nine native traveling preachers, and one hundred and two native helpers, a total of two hundred and ninety-five workers—a force of eighty-four more in numbers than theirs, a comparative result most favorable to the women, both in industry and financial skill, when the time of operation and available resources are considered. Within twenty years they have raised \$1,214,321.75, of which \$307,800.01 has been secured this quadrennium. Mrs. D. H. McGavock, the faithful and efficient General Secretary of this Society from its organization, passed to her reward December 23, 1895.

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White River Conference, Mrs. M. A. Neill.

SOME STATISTICS REPORTED MAY, 1905.

Foreign.—Missionaries, 67; foreign and native assistants, 174; boarding schools, 23; day schools, 64; kindergartens, 10; Bible schools, 2; hospitals, 2; Bible women, 123; scholarships, 312; buildings owned by the Woman's Board, and value of the same, \$361,000.

Home.—Thirty-four Conference Societies, 269 Districts, 2,483 Adult Auxiliaries, 1,262 Juvenile Societies and Golden Links, two monthlies, the Woman's Missionary Advocate and the Little Worker. The Advocate has 13,000 subscribers and the Little Worker 13,000. These papers are popular still, and indispensable if the best results are to be attained. The number of these periodicals circulating and read in our Auxiliaries shows at a glance the vitality and growth of the Society.

WHAT THE W. F. M. S. IS DOING.

CHINA.

(Opened Work in 1878.)

Missionaries.—Miss Helen Richardson, Secretary; Miss June Nicholson, Miss Orien Alexander, Mrs. Julia Gaither, Miss Clara Steger, Miss Ella Leveritt, Miss Emma Gary, Miss Alice Waters, Miss Margaret Mitchell, Missionary Teacher; Mrs. A. P. Parker (wife of the missionary who assists): Miss Virginia Atkinson, Secretary; Miss Mary M. Tarrant, Miss Margaret Polk, M. D., Miss Maggie Rogers, Miss Martha Pyle, Miss Ida Anderson, Miss Mary Culler White, Miss Janie Watkins. Wives of missionaries: Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Nance, Mrs. Dr. Park, Mrs. Fearn.

Summary of Statistics in China.—Stations, 6; missionaries, 18; wives of missionaries, 6; teachers and native helpers, 30; boarding schools, 6; pupils in boarding schools, 238; Christian pupils, 78; day schools, 39; pupils in day schools, 640; Christian day school pupils, 120; total pupils, 878; scholarships, 162; Bible schools, 2; Bible women, 80; hospitals, 2; buildings owned by the Board, 8; total value of property, \$80,000.

KOREA.

(Opened Work in 1897.)

Missionaries.—Mrs. J. P. Campbell, Secretary; Miss Josephine Hounshell, Miss Harbaugh, Miss Arena Carroll, Miss Mary Knowles, Miss Ella Sue, Wagner. Wives of Missionaries, Mrs. Moose, Mrs. Dr. Hardie, Mrs. Cram, Mrs. Hounshell.

Statistics.—Number of Stations, 3; number of missionaries, 6; number of wives of missionaries, 4; number of foreign and native teachers, 7; number of boarding schools, 2; number of

boarding school pupils, 68; number of day schools, 2; number of day school teachers, 5; number of day school pupils, 55; buildings owned by the Woman's Board, 2; buildings rented, 2; scholarships, 46; Bible women, 13; total number of church members, 299; total number of pupils, 123; total number of pupils under instruction, 1,588; value of property owned by Woman's Board, \$10,000.

MEXICO.

(Opened Work in 1881.)

Missionaries.—Miss Nannie E. Holding, Miss Delia Holding, Mrs. A. C. McClendon, Miss Edith Park, Miss Hardynia Norville, Miss Lela McNemar, Miss Lelia Roberts, Miss Fannie B. Moling, Miss Viola Blackburn, Miss Alice Griffith, Mrs. Ellen B. Carney, Miss Norwood Wynn, Miss Esther Case, Miss Annie Churchill, Miss Laura V. Wright, Miss Cornelia Godbey, Miss Lizzie Wilson, Miss Lucy Harper, Miss Ara Riggins, Miss Ellie B. Tydings, Miss May Treadwell.

Statistics.—Missionaries, 20; teachers and helpers, 55; boarding schools, 7; day schools, 11; pupils enrolled (about), 3,000; members of the church (about), 450; members of Sunday-school, 800; members of leagues, 200; missionary societies, 2; members of missionary societies, 100; Bible women, 19; scholarships, 62; visits made, 12,000; value of property, \$140,000.

BRAZIL.

(Work Opened in 1881.)

Missionaries.—Miss Layona Glenn, Rio de Janeiro; Miss Elizabeth Davis, Miss Mattie H. Watts, Miss Blanche Howell, Miss Ida Shaffer, Miss Emma Christine, Miss Amelia Elerding, Miss Clara B. Fullerton, Miss Leonora Smith, Miss May Stewart, Miss Willie Bowman, Miss Lillie Stradley, Miss Maidee Smith, Miss Helen Johnston, Miss Eliza Perkinson, Miss Mary Pescud, Miss Della Wright, Miss Ada Parker.

Statistics.—Missionaries, 18; assistants, 41; boarding schools, 5; pupils in boarding schools, 107; day schools, 9; pupils in day schools, 564; total number of pupils, 667; church members, 96; number in Sunday-school, 411; Bible women, 10; scholarships, 27; value of property owned by Woman's Board, \$30,000.

CUBA.

(Work Opened in 1900.)

Missionaries.—Miss Hattie G. Carson, Miss Mary Cessna, Miss Nannie Overstreet, Missionary Teacher; Miss Rebecca Toland, Miss Belle Markey, Miss Sue Ford.

Statistics.—Missionaries, 3; Cuban teachers, 4; music teacher, 1; matron, 1; pupils in the Irene Toland School, 97; pupils in charity school, 57; total number of pupils, 154; pupils supported by scholarships, 9; pupils boarding in the school, 15; pupils who attend Sunday-school, 71; pupils members of the church, 23.

AMONG THE INDIANS.

The work of the Woman's Board among the North American Indians was opened in 1886.

Methvin Institute, located in Anadarko, Okla., continues under the superintendency of Rev. J. J. Methvin, and needs only more workers and larger appropriations to do more satisfactory work. The report of Rev. J. J. Methvin gives some interesting and suggestive details.

THE SCARRITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

As a part of their work should be mentioned the Scarritt Bible and Training School for Missionaries and other Christian Workers, which has demonstrated the need and wisdom of its creation, to train for both the foreign and home fields the young women of our church. Its graduates and representatives are now in our several mission fields, and the demand for such trained workers is constantly increasing. The trained nurses from its wards, after two years' instruction and clinical experience, take with them the needful skill in ministering at the bedside, while the Christian atmosphere of the institution prepares them to become Christian workers no less than trained nurses. There has been a gratifying increase in the endowment and attendance of students.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL.

The thirteenth year of this institution has been marked by progress, enlarged enrollment bringing enlarged opportunities. Widened horizon has brought broader vision, and we stand at the close of the year with higher ideals and aspirations, which by the grace of God it will be our joy to fulfill.

The record of the last year was brought before you April 14, 1904. The class of 1904 graduated May 10th with honor. Seven of the class have entered upon the public service of the church, three as deaconesses, one as district nurse, and three as foreign missionaries. Three others are pursuing special studies in kindergarten, music and nursing respectively, while the remainder are channels of blessing in their own communities or are engaged in their ministry of healing.

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CALENDAR.

Week of Prayer, October 15th to 22nd.

Eighth Annual Board Meeting, Asheville, N. C.

MISSIONARIES, TEACHERS, AND DEACONESSSES OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY.

Ybor City, Tampa, Fla.—Miss Mary Bruce, Miss Lula Ford, Mrs. M. P. Cooper, Mrs. F. C. Brooks.

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DEACONESSSES.

Miss Maria Elliott, Los Angeles, Cal., in charge of the Homer Toberman Deaconess Home.

- Miss Annie Heath, Thomasville, Ga.
Miss Mabel Kennedy, St. Louis, Mo., pastor's assistant, Centenary Church.
Miss Elizabeth Davis, Dallas, Texas, Rescue Work.
Miss Mae Lockard, Waco, Texas, in charge of Rebecca Spark's Deaconess Home.
Miss Mary Olsen, St. Louis, Mo., Sloan Mission.
Mrs. Mary N. Carr, Louisville, Ky., City Missionary.
Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Galveston, Texas, pastor's assistant.
Mrs. E. N. Souby, Kansas City, Mo., City Missionary.
Miss Mary Wilson, Houston, Texas, City Missionary.
Miss Mattie Wright, St. Louis, Mo., Sloan Mission.
Miss Mattie Ivey, Foreign Missionary under the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in Korea.
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Western Virginia, Mrs. G. F. Adams, Gatlettsburg, Ky.

White River, Mrs. S. H. Babcock, Forest City, Ark.

SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT WOMAN'S HOME MISSION SOCIETY, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, 1904-1905.

The Lord of the harvest has been gracious to us this year, and to Him we would give thanks for blessings all the way. The growth in membership has been 6,211, while the cash collection exceeds that of any former year, \$15,159.

STATISTICS OF WORK.

Adult auxiliaries, 2,008; adult members, 39,801; young people and juvenile auxiliaries, 166; young people and juvenile members, 3,499; total members, 43,300. Baby Roll names entered this year, 1,764; Florine McEachern Mite Box Brigaders enlisted this year, 2,942; day schools, 8; night schools, 5; pupils enrolled, 1,590; teachers, missionaries and deaconesses, 88; parsonages helped by Board, 48; parsonages helped by Conference Societies, 114; total parsonages helped this fiscal year, 162; collections for connectional work, \$74,574.31; collections for local work, \$160,115.16; value of supplies sent through supply department, \$22,323.66; subscribers to Our Homes, 10,016.

LOCAL WORK.

Local work done through committees under directions of First Vice-Presidents is being magnified as never before. This has been accomplished by 464,712 visits to sick and strangers; 7,643 cottage prayer-meetings, and 20,931 needy individuals have been assisted. Total collection for local work has amounted to \$160,115.16.

PARSONAGES.

Aid was given 162 parsonages this fiscal year, amounting to \$14,679.49. The Board gave \$4,075 to 48, while the Conference Societies donated \$10,604.49. These donations exceed any of previous years.

SUPPLIES.

This department has sent 143 boxes to preachers, 136 to orphanages, 483 to mission schools and rescue homes, making a total number of 779 boxes, valued at \$22,333.66. As always, the boxes sent the preachers were more valuable.

SCHOOLS.

Thirteen Home Missions Schools are enterprised by the Woman's Home Mission Society bringing 1,590 students under instruction. The three Cuban schools in Tampa and Key West, under direction of sixteen teachers, have enrolled 483, while the Italian night school at Ybor City has had forty-seven students.

The two schools for mountain boys and girls have accommodated 475 students. The new dormitory for boys at Sue Bennett School has been finished this year at a total cost of \$7,257.34. This provides thirty bed-rooms and an ample library. The normal class had a full attendance, and between seventy and one hundred students were converted. At the Brevard Industrial School, Brevard, N. C., the building is nearly completed, and the debt almost liquidated. A fine quality of work was done by teachers and students.

The Industrial Home and School at Greenville, Tenn., has given fostering care to ninety children during the year.

On the Pacific Coast the four night schools have had 234 Chinese and Japanese in attendance. Two homes for Japanese, run on a co-operative basis, have been enterprised with happy results. The two churches have increased in membership, and two former students are preparing to return as missionaries to their own country.

More than 150 negro girls have received training in the Annex to Paine College. Their work in the laundry, sewing room, and cooking departments has been most satisfactory.

RESCUE WORK.

The large rescue plant at Dallas has furnished refuge for 111 girls this year. Of these, sixty-seven have gone from the Home during the year under the following conditions: Gone into service after two years in Home, 21; in training elsewhere, 2; married, 4; taken home by parents, 8; left with permission, 6; left without permission, 13; expelled, 11; sent Epileptic Colony, 1; deaths, 1; total number at present in the Home, 44; number infants in Home, 22; number adopted into Christian homes, 13; deaths, 4. Only five girls in the Home at present are not professing Christians.

CITY MISSIONS.

A digest of the City Mission work shows twenty-four City Mission Boards, two Deaconess Homes, eight Settlement Homes, one Door of Hope, one Home for girls over twelve years of age, twenty-six trained workers, forty salaried workers, 210 volunteer workers, seven day nurseries, with 150 children cared for; seven kindergartens, with 299 children enrolled; twenty Industrial Schools, with 1,068 in attendance; seven night schools, with 180 students; thirteen Boys' Clubs, with 300 boys enrolled; five free reading rooms, 4,363 person enjoying the privileges of the rooms; fourteen Girls' Clubs, 376 girls enrolled in clubs; three Young Women's Clubs, eighty-six members; nine Mothers' Clubs, 143 in attendance weekly; three dispensaries, 1,159 patients treated; ten Sabbath Schools, 1,139 children enrolled; 134 conversions, 14,065 visits made, 15,822 received by workers.

DEACONESSSES.

Nine deaconesses have been actively at work this year; twelve candidates are in training at the Scarritt Bible and Training School. On Sunday, April 16th, last, three young women was set apart for this life of consecration.

PRESS WORK.

Our Homes has a circulation of 10,016, and continues in great favor with those who read it. Leaflets have been issued for auxiliary use and distribution amounting to 400,000. The Monthly Bulletin has been scattered abroad in large numbers, and its facts and figures have found ready acceptance in church and secular papers.

COLLECTIONS.

Dues	\$33,857.51
Specials	26,105.93
Loan Funds	333.95
Educational Endowments	611.85
Other sources	13,665.07
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Total.....	74,574.31
City Missions per vouchers.....	18,446.09
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Grand total.....	\$93,020.40

STATISTICS FROM 1886 TO 1905.

Number of members	43,300
Receipts for connectional work	\$495,571.32
Receipts for local work	770,453.54
Total receipts	1,266,024.86
Number of parsonages built and aided.....	1,689
Money donated to parsonages.....	\$156,189.85
Value of supplies distributed outside of receipts above stated	100,913.01
Number of day schools supported.....	8
Number of night schools supported.....	5
Number of pupils enrolled.....	1,590
Number of missionaries and teachers employed....	88
Number of Mission Boards.....	24
Number of Rescue Homes and Doors of Hope.....	2

VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE SOCIETY.

Schools for Cubans, at Tampa, Fla.....	\$8,000
Sue Bennett Memorial School, at London, Ky.....	34,000
Rescue Home, at Dallas, Texas.....	15,000
Ruth Hargrove Institute, at Key West, Fla.....	11,000
Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga.....	7,000
Rebecca Sparks Deaconess Home, Waco, Texas.....	2,500
Homer Toberman Deaconess Home, Los Angeles, Cal..	10,000
Total	\$87,500

DEACONESSSES.

In 1902 the General Conference of the Southern Methodist Church created the office and work of deaconess, and committed its development to the Home Mission Society. A deaconess in this church is one whose whole time is given to service for humanity, either as city missionary, teacher, or district nurse. The difference between a deaconess and the accepted city missionary lies in the fact that she is a recognized officer of the church, must have had training for the work before being set apart, and also wears a uniform so that she may be recognized as a servant of the church, which is pledged to care for her after ten years of active service, in the event her health should fail. The stipend paid a deaconess is \$10.00 per month over and above her living expenses, so that she is known to be literally a servant of the church. The church is calling for strong, cultured, consecrated women to enlist in this work. In these first three years fourteen deaconesses have been set apart and two deaconess homes established.

ORPHANAGES AND HOMES.

NORTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE ORPHANS' HOME.

This Orphanage is located near Decatur, Ga., and is owned by the North Georgia Conference. It was opened in 1870 with less than a dozen orphans. There are nine buildings, valued at \$25,000. The value of the other property is \$15,000. Its sources of income are Work-Day collections, and special collections under the agent. The average of cost of an orphan per year is \$100.00. The 25th day of September is set apart for all Methodists within the bounds of the North Georgia Conference to set apart the amount of a day's work to the orphans. The plan originated with a layman and works well. Work-Day in 1905 resulted in nearly \$10,000.00 to the Home. The Home has now about 130 orphans.

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THE VIRGINIA CONFERENCE ORPHANAGE.

It is located in Richmond, Va., and is owned by the Virginia Conference. It was opened September 3rd with ten orphans, and now has seventy-eight. There are four buildings, valued at \$50,000.00. The value of the whole property is \$102,000.00. Endowment, \$6,000.00. The only sources of income are voluntary contributions. The average cost of an orphan per year is \$95.00. Virginia Methodism is enthusiastically interested in the Orphanage.

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ALABAMA METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

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The institution is managed by an Executive Committee. F. H. Jones, of Montgomery, Ala., is Agent; Miss Sudie V. A. Hunt is Matron; H. H. Stewart, Secretary and Treasurer.



SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE ORPHANS' HOME, MACON, GA.

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It is located at Vineville, near Macon, Ga. Is owned by the South Georgia Conference. It was opened in 1872 with twenty-six orphans. It now has 130. It has seven buildings valued at \$40,000.00. The value of the whole property is \$50,000.00. It has a very small endowment. The average cost per orphan is about \$60.00.

Rev. J. T. Dozier is Superintendent and Manager. Mrs. J. T. Dozier is Matron. Rev. W. A. Huckabee, of McRae Ga., is Agent; J. J. Coble, Secretary; C. T. King, Treasurer. There are two teachers in the school.

EPWORTH ORPHANAGE.

Located at Columbia, S. C., and owned by the South Carolina Conference. It was established in January, 1896, with about one dozen orphans. It now has 140. It has ten brick and nine wooden buildings. There are 114 acres of land belonging to the institution. The buildings are valued at \$47,000. The value of the whole property is placed at \$75,000. The cottage plan, with central dining-room, has been most successfully adopted. The Orphanage has a graded school with a ten grade system and fine teachers. Industrial training also is given to the orphans. A new home has just been completed with capacity for twenty orphans. The sources of support are voluntary contributions. The Conference is deeply interested in the Orphanage. The cost per year of an orphan is \$75.00.

Rev. W. B. Wharton is Superintendent, who also acts as Agent and Treasurer. There is no chief matron. Each home has a matron, who reports to the Superintendent.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

It is located at Raleigh, N. C., and is owned by the North Carolina Conference. It was opened on Thanksgiving Day, 1900, with one orphan. It now has about seventy-five.

There are two buildings valued at \$40,000.00. Value of all property, \$45,000.00. Endowment, \$16,000.00. The sources of income are voluntary contributions, gifts by the Sunday-schools and the Conference assessment, which is 10 per cent of the preacher's salary on each charge. The latter plan works well. The average cost of an orphan per year is nearly \$100.00. The attitude of the Conference to the Orphanage is one of tender interest.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins is Superintendent; Mrs. J. W. Jenkins, Matron; Jos. G. Brown, Secretary and Treasurer; Miss Olivia Breeze, Assistant Matron; Misses Lucy Reeks and Laura Breeze, Teachers.



ORPHANS' HOME, JACKSON, MISS.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

Located in Little Rock, Arkansas, and is the property of the three Conferences in Arkansas—the Little Rock, Ark., and White River. The movement for an Orphanage began at the Little Rock Conference in 1897, and materialized shortly afterward, when the stockholders of "The Woman's Industrial Home" offered to the Orphanage Board three lots of ground in Little Rock, 150 feet frontage and 160 feet deep. There was also a frame building given. The real estate of the Orphanage is worth \$6,300.00. There are over twenty children in the Orphanage. Twenty-three boys and girls have been put out in good families.

Rev. T. W. Fisackerly is Agent, and Mrs. Charles Brightman, Matron.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' HOME.

It is located in Louisville, Ky., and is the property of the Louisville and the Kentucky Conferences. It was opened in 1902. There were fifty-seven children in the Home, September 1, 1905. The total value of the property is \$68,723.00. The sources of income are voluntary contributions. A collection is taken in every Sunday-school of the two Conferences on every fifth Sunday with great success. The Work-Day plan was used in September, 1905, with success.

Rev. E. S. Boswell is Agent and Mrs. Pendery, Matron. W. H. Wirgman is the President of the Board of Trustees.

INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL.

It is located at Greenville, Tenn., and is the property of the Home Mission Society of the Holston Conference. It was opened in 1895 with nine orphans. It now has about one hundred. Total enrollment since opening, 182. It has six buildings valued at \$25,000.00. Value of all property is \$30,000.00. Its sources of income are voluntary contributions. The Holston Conference is in full sympathy with the institution.

Mrs. E. E. Wiley is the Superintendent and Treasurer; Mrs. Mary B. Sparks, Matron. The property is insured up to the law's limit.

MISSISSIPPI METHODIST ORPHANS' HOME.

Located at Jackson, Miss. Is owned by the two Mississippi Conferences. It opened in 1898 with two orphans. It now has ninety-eight. The Agent and Manager of the Home is Rev. Q. A. Oats. Mr. J. B. Streater is Secretary and Treasurer. There are three teachers in the school. The value of the entire property is \$40,000.00. The source of income is voluntary gifts from the church. The average cost per year of an orphan is

\$70.00. The Home was burned in July, 1904, but the new building will be completed at an early day. The land for the new Home was given by Maj. R. W. Millsaps. Nearly 400 children have been cared for in the Home.

THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

Located at Waco, Texas. Property of the four Texas Conferences and the German Mission Conference. Opened in 1904 with one orphan. It now has 104. Has had 428 from the beginning. Rev. W. H. Vaughn is Business Manager; Rev. T. E. Bowman, Assistant Manager; Mrs. T. E. Bowman and Mrs. L. M. Safford are the Matrons. The school has two teachers. There are two buildings with 200 acres of land. The total valuation of the property is \$60,000. The source of income is the assessments for current expenses and voluntary donations, average cost per year of an orphan is \$60.00.

METHODIST ORPHANS' HOME ASSOCIATION.

Located at St. Louis. It is the property of the St. Louis District, St. Louis Conference. It was opened in 1867 with three orphans. It now has 150. It is managed by a Board of ladies with an Advisory Board. There are two Homes. One has 100 children from two years of age and upwards. The other is the Boys' Home, containing now fifty boys. These boys attend the public schools. There is a school in the other home. The Board of Trustees look after finances and property and advise with the Board of Managers. Both Boards have a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and the President of the Board of Trustees, Jesse L. Booger, is the head of the corporations; Mrs. Jno. J. O'Fallon is President of the Board of Managers. There are two buildings, and the total value of the property is \$125,000. The total cost per year of an orphan is \$100.00.

THE WESLEY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

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MEDICAL STAFF.

General Medicine.—W. S. Kendrick, consultant; H. F. Harris. C. D. Hurt, W. C. Jarnagin.

General Surgery.—William Perrin Nicholson, J. L. Campbell. Wm. B. Armstrong, Willis B. Jones.

Gynecology.—Hunter P. Cooper, Geo. H. Noble, W. A. Crowe.

Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat.—A. W. Calhoun, consultant; A. W. Sterling.

Disease of Children.—Chas. E. Boynton, Chas. E. Murphy.

Disease of Stomach, Intestines and Dietetis.—L. Amster.

Pathology.—H. F. Harris, R. W. Hynds.

Diseases of Skin and Cancer.—M. B. Hutchins.

Orthopœdic Surgery.—Michael Hoke.

House Physician.—Robert Grier Stephens.

The Wesley Memorial Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., is the only hospital, so far, of Southern Methodism outside of our mission fields. It had its rise in a resolution passed by the Atlanta District Conference in 1902. A lot was purchased in November, 1904, at a cost of \$17,500.00. The lot which is on the corner of Auburn Avenue and Courdlandt Street, contains a large stone house of fourteen rooms which is admirably adapted to the uses of a hospital. Atlanta made a contribution of \$25,000, and the churches of the two Conferences outside of Atlanta gave about \$5,000. A third story was added to the building, and the Hospital, fully equipped, was opened and dedicated August 16, 1905. The Hospital is the joint property of the two Georgia Conferences.

Indigent patients are admitted free of charge. Patients too poor to pay a surgeon or physician, but able to pay their board, may be admitted to the free ward on payment of a nominal sum of seven dollars a week; two or more patients in a room, \$10.00 each per week. The price of private rooms is \$25.00 per week. The total cost of the plant is \$36,877.00. Since the opening of the Hospital in August, 1905, nearly one hundred patients have been treated.

HOMES FOR CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

To the North Alabama Conference belongs the honor of inaugurating a regular movement to provide homes for our superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of the deceased preachers. The movement began at the 1901 session of the North Alabama Conference. The regular Conference Claimants' assessment was raised from \$6,600.00 to \$10,000.00. One home was pledged to be completed before the next Con-

ference. Mr. John E. Morris, a consecrated layman of Birmingham, Ala., is the founder of the movement. He built and furnished a neat, commodious house at Montevallo, Ala., and paid the salary and expense of the agent the first year. Rev. W. T. Pattillo and family occupy that home. The home cost about \$2,500.00. Twenty homes have been deeded to the church up to the present time. Thirteen of these were deeded by private individuals. There are ten other homes pledged by private individuals.

A safe estimate of the property in hand, cash collected, good subscriptions secured and property devised by wills, will amount to about \$75,000.00 as a result of the three years' work. The work has stimulated every interest in the Conference. The regular Conference collections have been helped by the movement.

Rev. J. W. Norton, Elyton, Ala., has been the forceful, untiring agent of the Homes from the beginning, and his heart is in his work.

ENDOWMENT FUND FOR SUPERANNUATES.

The General Conference of 1902 adopted resolutions providing for a permanent Endowment Fund for superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers. According to these resolutions all existing funds of a connectional character are set apart as belonging to the Endowment Fund; each year the profits of the Publishing House are to be added to this fund as the Book Committee may deem wise until the minimum amount of \$100,000.00 be secured; the Board of Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, are the custodians of this fund under the following conditions:

The above-mentioned \$100,000.00, as a nucleus, shall be kept properly invested in good interest-bearing securities. Such moneys as shall be derived from the sources mentioned in Articles 2 and 3, and from all other sources whatsoever, shall be invested as soon as practicable after coming into the hands of the Board of Trustees. Seventy-five per cent of the income of the fund shall be annually distributed for the relief of worn-out preachers, widows and orphans of preachers, paying over the same pro rata, on the basis of the number of claimants in each Conference, to the Treasurers of the Joint Boards of Finance of the several Annual Conferences, for distribution to the individual claimants. The remaining 25 per cent of income shall be added annually to the body of the fund until said fund shall amount to the sum of \$5,000,000.00, after which the entire amount of the income shall be paid out to claimants, through the Treasurers of the Joint Boards of Fin-

ance as above-mentioned. After the sum of \$5,000,000.00 shall have been secured, the efforts to increase the fund as provided in Articles 2 and 3 shall not cease, but shall be continued indefinitely.

Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., was made agent of this fund. He was succeeded by Rev. John R. Stewart, who presents at the close of 1905 the following exhibit:

In bank	\$6,505.52
First mortgage loans.....	60,520.00
Notes of contributors.....	101,839.12
Open subscriptions	4,149.90
From proceeds of Publishing House.....	2,000.00
Interest due on loans.....	655.00
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Total	175,569.54

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The Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is located at Nashville, Tenn. The object of this corporation is to hold in trust for the church donations, bequests, devises, and grants of personal or real property given or left by testament for the church's benefit. It is chartered by the State of Tennessee, and endowed with the usual rights and powers of such a corporation.

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The law creating this new Board is contained in Paragraph 413 of the Discipline, and reads as follows:

"The Secretary of the College of Bishops, or in his absence, a Bishop, the Secretary of the Board of Missions, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, the Secretary of Education, and the Book Editor, shall together constitute the Board of Apportionment. The Bishop shall be the Chairman and the Book Editor shall be the Secretary of the Board. It shall be the duty of the Board to meet at Nashville in the month of June following each session of the General Conference, and proceed to fix a ratio for the apportionment among the several Annual Conferences of the general connectional assessments."

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The fact that during the past four years the church had suffered a loss of \$75,000.00 on uninsured property led the General Conference at Dallas, Texas, to adopt the following resolution:

"Resolved, That a Board of Insurance be appointed by this General Conference upon nomination of the Committee on Church Extension, which shall consist of eleven members, a majority of whom shall reside in or near the city of Louisville, Ky. It shall be the duty of said Board to make arrangements for the more general and adequate insurance of our church property and the Board shall have authority either to organize a company for said purpose to be operated under the authority and patronage of the General Conference, or to make arrangements with some existing company whereby the Trustees of our church property may be enabled to secure adequate protection for the same upon terms more favorable than can now be obtained at the established rates of the leading commercial companies. The Board shall have no authority to involve the church or any department thereof in any pecuniary obligation or liability by its acts."



A SUPERANNUATE'S HOME [MONTEVALLO, ALA.]

I. Other Churches.

II. Allied Organizations.



A SUPERANNUATE'S HOME (MONTEVALLO, ALA.)

- I. Other Churches.
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And for their sakes, I sanctify myself that they also might be sanctified through the truth. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as thou Father art in me and I in thee that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.—*John 17: 19-21.*

OTHER CHURCHES AND ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS.

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STATISTICS.

Full members, 3,148,211, including probationers; preachers on trial and in full connection, 18,608; local preachers, 13,892; Sunday-school scholars, 2,872,974; value of churches, \$142,539,919; value of parsonages, \$23,930,269; ministerial support, \$13,825,992; Conference Claimants, \$334,225; Church Extension, \$153,213; American Bible Society, \$35,733; missions, \$2,539,624; number of schools, 149; value of grounds and buildings, \$21,778,182; total endowment, \$19,812,037; students, 53,914; number of hospitals, 26; orphanages, 14; homes for the aged, 10; deaconesses, 748; official periodicals, 31; Annual Conferences, 162; raised by Woman's Home Mission Society, \$182,616.

EDITORS, AGENTS, AND SECRETARIES.

Book Editor, R. J. Cooke, New York and Cincinnati, Ohio; Publishing Agents, Eaton & Mains, New York, and Jennings & Graham, Cincinnati, Ohio; Editor Methodist Review, W. V. Kelley, D. D., LL.D., New York; Corresponding Secretary, Board of Missions, A. B. Leonard, D. D.; First Assistant, H. K. Carroll, LL.D.; Assistant Secretaries, George B. Smyth, D. D., and F. H. Sheets, D. D.; Field Secretary for Young People's Work, E. Earl Taylor; Missionary Editor, C. H. Fahs, New York; Corresponding Secretary Board of Church Extension,

sion, J. M. King; Corresponding Secretary Board of Education, W. F. Anderson, D. D., New York; President Woman's Home Mission Society, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; Editor Epworth Herald, Stephen J. Herben, D. D., Chicago; General Secretary Epworth League, Edwin M. Randall, D. D., Chicago.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

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STATISTICS.

Number of ministers in active work, 1,360; professors and General Conference officers, 54; superannuated ministers, 347; evangelists, 5; left without stations, 36; total number of ministers, 1,802; number of probationers in active work, 149; at college, 163; left without station, 8; total number of probationers, 320; grand total, 2,122; local preachers, 2,300—increase, 47; exhorters, 1,104—increase, 22; class leaders, 5,807—decrease, 198; stewards, 9,610—decrease, 148; Sunday-schools, 3,439—increase, 15; officers and teachers, 33,716—increase, 528; scholars, 273,962—increase, 5,691; contributions of school to missionary funds, \$29,021—increase, \$6,612; Epworth Leagues, 1,776—increase, 33; members, 70,338—increase, 2,434; contributions to missionary funds, \$37,492—increase, \$5,147; churches and places of worship, 4,398—increase, 64; parsonages, 1,179—increase, 46; colleges and educational institutions, 19; value of church property, \$15,679,422—increase, \$281,788.

OLD WORLD METHODISM.**WESLEYAN METHODISTS.**

Ministers, 3,434; lay preachers, 27,400; church members and probationers, 796,180; Sunday-schools, 10,213; Sunday-school scholars, 1,176,340; churches, 17,379.

METHODIST NEW CONNECTION.

Ministers, 205; lay preachers, 1,238; church members and probationers, 45,816; Sunday-schools, 498; Sunday-school scholars, 88,563; churches, 663.

INDEPENDENT METHODIST CHURCHES.

Ministers, 389; church members and probationers, 9,006; Sunday-schools, 154; Sunday-school scholars, 28,487; churches, 157.

PRIMITIVE METHODISTS.

Ministers, 1,124; lay preachers, 16,262; church members and probationers, 205,508; Sunday-schools, 4,199; Sunday-school scholars, 471,855; churches, 5,072.

UNITED METHODIST FREE CHURCHES.

Ministers, 448; lay preachers, 3,449; church members and probationers, 101,820; Sunday-schools, 1,336; Sunday-school scholars, 198,613; churches, 1,592.

AUSTRALASIA METHODIST CHURCH.

Ministers, 990; lay preachers, 12,466; church members and probationers, 140,798; Sunday-schools, 4,078; Sunday-school scholars, 234,727; churches, 5,871.

TOTALS FOR OLD WORLD METHODISM.

Ministers, 6,819; lay preachers, 62,851; church members and probationers, 1,340,218; Sunday-schools, 21,166; Sunday-school scholars, 2,269,040; churches, 31,566.

Denominations.	Min- isters.	Commu- nicants
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	200	17,500
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	125	3,687
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,510	786,125
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	125	3,687
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	3,401	560,790
Methodist Protestant	1,551	183,894
Wesleyan Methodist	514	17,500
Congregational Methodist	415	24,009
Congregational Methodist (Colored).....	5	319
New Congregational Methodist.....	238	4,022
Zion Union Apostolic	30	2,346
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,200	209,654
Primitive	97	7,000
Free Methodist	1,015	29,658
Independent Methodist	8	2,569
Evangelist Missionary	72	3,014
Methodist Episcopal	17,158	2,847,932
* Total Methodists, not including M. E. Church, South.....	33,664	4,703,697

RANK IN 1904.

- Roman Catholics, No. 1; members, 10,104,219.
 Methodist Episcopal, No. 2; members, 2,847,932.
 Regular Baptist (Colored), No. 3; members, 1,929,139.
 Regular Baptist (South, No. 4; members, 1,850,889.
 Methodist Episcopal (South), No. 5; members, 1,556,728.
 Disciples of Christ, No. 6; members, 1,233,866.
 Regular Baptist (North), No. 7; members, 1,070,206.
 Presbyterian (Northern), No. 8; members, 1,069,170.
 Protestant Episcopal, No. 9; members, 798,642.
 African Methodist Episcopal, No. 10; members, 786,125.
 Congregationalists, No. 11; members, 667,951.
 Lutheran Synodical Conference, No. 12; members, 574,010.
 African Methodist Episcopal Zion, No. 13; members, 560,
 790.
 Lutheran General Council, No. 14; members, 370,668.
 Latter-Day Saints, No. 15; members, 300,000.
 Reformed (German), No. 16; members, 263,954.
 United Brethren, No. 17; members, 251,312.
 Presbyterian (Southern), No. 18; members, 239,988.

Lutheran General Synod, No. 19; members, 223,473.
German Evangelical Synod, No. 20; members, 209,791.
Colored Methodist Episcopal, No. 21; members, 209,654.
Cumberland Presbyterian, No. 22; members, 186,104.
Methodist Protestant, No. 23; members, 183,894.
United Norwegian Lutheran, No. 24; members, 144,296.
Primitive Baptist, No. 25; members, 126,000.
United Presbyterian, No. 26; members, 121,328.
Reformed (Dutch), No. 27; members, 115,280.
Christian Connection, No. 28; members, 101,597.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

The Salvation Army and the Salvation Army Industrial Homes Company are incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. The Salvation Army, founded by General William Booth, who was born in Nottingham, England, April 10, 1829, is a religious body organized on military principles with a view of reaching the non-church-going masses of the world. It was first started in July, 1865, in the East End of London don as the Christian Mission. Thirteen years later, on Christmas, 1878, it received the name of the Salvation Army. Since then its growth throughout the world has been phenomenal. As a temperance movement it is estimated that the Salvation Army has been the means of converting hundreds of thousands of confirmed drunkards. Total abstinence is a condition of membership. The Army's International Headquarters are at No. 101 Queen Victoria Street, London. Its world-wide operations are carried on in forty-nine countries and colonies, embracing 7,210 posts, under the charge of 16,857 officers and employees, with 45,339 local officers, 17,099 brass bandmen, and about 50,000 musicians. Sixty-three periodicals are published in thirty-one languages, with a weekly circulation of about 1,207,223. There are 644 social relief institutions in the world, under the charge of nearly 3,000 officers and employees. About 7,000 fallen women annually pass through the 116 rescue homes, and 80 or 90 per cent of these are permanently restored to lives of virtue. About 1,500 ex-convicts pass annually through the prison-gate homes. There are 132 slum settlements in the poorest districts of great cities, the worse dives, saloons, and tenements being regularly visited. The number of annual conversions in connection with the spiritual work have averaged from 200,000 to 250,000 during the past ten years, making a total of over 2,000,000, of whom not less than 200,000 were converted from lives of drunkenness.—The Methodist Year Book.

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

The summaries of the past year's reports show gains in nearly all items. The number of associations is only eleven more than a year ago, but there is a gain of 8,480 in membership, and of 6,000 in the number serving on committees. The number of employed officers actually in the field is 2,013 as against 1,893 last year, while there are 259 positions temporarily vacant. The present number of buildings owned and occupied is 517, a net gain of forty-two; the net increase in real property is \$2,612,251. The aggregate current expenses of the local associations amounted to \$4,270,984, an increase of \$414,656. State and Provincial Committees expended \$240,554, an increase of \$54,564. The budget for the International home field was \$156,664, an increase of \$2,868; that of the foreign field \$102,823, an increase of \$15,590.

The railroad associations have increased in number from 197 to 211 during the year, and the membership has grown from 70,000 to over 75,000. Buildings owned or set aside now number 130, with a valuation of \$2,250,000.

The religious work shows a very gratifying development. The number of Bible students has increased from 3,069 to 4,183; the number of professed conversions reported is 4,527 as against 2,175 last year, and the number uniting with churches has increased from 957 to 1,729.

Many new associations appropriate 20 per cent or more of their space to the boys' department, while in the early years the department did not even exist. In 1895 there were only seventeen boys' work specialists, while now there are over 120.

There are 1,749 associations, with an aggregate membership of 381,982. The net value of the buildings and other real estate owned by the Association is \$27,039,746. Add to this building, library, educational, endowment, and special funds paid in, together with permanent equipment of the International Committee and the Sidney Dillon Trust Fund, we have a grand net total of \$32,004,886.

Sir George Williams, the founder of the Young Men's Christian Association, died in London, England, November 6, 1905, at the age of 84 years.—The Methodist Year Book.

North Carolina Methodism.

Carolina ! Carolina ! Heaven's blessings attend her !
While we live we will cherish, protect, and defend her ;
Though the scorner may sneer at and witlings defame
her,
Our hearts swell with gladness whenever we name her.

NORTH CAROLINA METHODISM.

METHODISM DURING THE CIVIL WAR.

BY REV. R. H. WHITAKER, D.D.

A great many people have labored under the impression that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, seceded from the "Mother Church" and set up in opposition to it; and not a few have thought that the great Civil War was hastened by the action of Southern Methodism.

I wish to state, as the truth of history, that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is not the result of secession nor of rebellion, but came into existence just as effect follows cause. And be it also further said, the Methodist Church is not responsible for its existence, but is the outcome of circumstances and conditions it had no hand in shaping.

The Methodists had barely organized in America before the question of slavery began to be discussed and to make trouble. True, the cloud was no larger than a man's hand at first, but it grew as the church grew, in the Northern States, and became, each year, more threatening. Notwithstanding all the New England States, save one, had held slaves, many of whom had been sent South and converted into money, which created, or added largely to, the wealth of that section, yet abolitionism materialized very rapidly among those former slave-owners who seemed to be more concerned about the evils of slavery in the South than about the growing vices of the more thickly populated North. The consequence was that the time came when the slave-holder and the non-slave-holder could no longer work harmoniously together. One of the Bishops of the church—Rev. James O. Andrew—was a Southern man and had the manageit of slaves, though, in reality, not a slave-owner himself. Such was the bitterness at the North toward him that, in 1844, a resolution was offered in the General Conference of the church asking him to resign his position as Bishop on the ground that he was unacceptable, in many of the

Northern Conferences, as a presiding officer. Finally, in the same General Conference, realizing that it was impossible to agree upon any sort of compromise that would enable the two sections to live together in Christian fellowship, a resolution was adopted by an almost unanimous vote by which the church was divided—the Northern States to keep up the organization then existing, while the Southern States were expected to organize the Annual Conferences of the South into a General Conference and to go on preaching and building up Methodism as if though nothing had happened.

That General Conference was composed mostly of Northern preachers, nearly all of whom favored and voted for the division; so that in no sense can it be said that the South was responsible for the break-up which brought into existence the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The North was willing and anxious to separate that it might clear its skirts of the institution of slavery. The South was willing to separate that it might live in peace and be the better able to give the Gospel to the colored race, which, under the then existing circumstances, it was impossible to liberate; so, separation was the joint act of the two sections of Methodism for the purpose of settling a hitherto very troublesome question. It was simply a parting of ways with a friendly shaking of hands. Not only was the territory divided, but the property of the church as well; and so anxious was that General Conference that the two churches should never clash, it even went so far as to prescribe the conditions which should be observed and maintained by each in its allotted field of action.

When the South found itself turned adrift it went to work to organize. At a convention held in Louisville, Ky., composed of delegates from all the Conferences of the slave-holding States, a committee was appointed to consider the propriety and necessity of a Southern organization, according to the "plan of separation." That committee subsequently reported that the action of the General Conference of 1844 gave full and exclusive authority to the Annual Conferences in the slave-holding States, to set up a new organization; that, in the opinion of the committee, the sixteen Annual Conferences and the five hundred thousand members in the South should be under the

control of a General Conference, which General Conference it was the duty of that Convention to provide for. The report of the committee was adopted and a General Conference was appointed to meet in Petersburg, Va., May 1, 1846. Thus came into being the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Sixteen years after the separation the Civil War came on. But during those sixteen years the Southern Church had been steadily progressing, observing and endeavoring to live up to the conditions agreed upon in the separation.

Yes, the war came on, but who had any idea that it would amount to anything more than a few bloodless skirmishes, after which, imitating the General Conference of 1844, there would be a friendly parting of the ways and equitable division of property and a "God be with you till we meet again?"

Methodism having set an example of settling disputes—other churches following—it was at least reasonable to suppose that the several States which had hitherto been co-partners could and would as easily and as satisfactorily arrange for a division and the setting up of another national family. But, we were all mistaken. In our estimate of the strength of the Union sentiment we failed to take into the calculation the hatred of that uncompromising abolition which had been generating for half a century. So, the war came on—a terrible war, at that.

It was a sore trial to the Southern Methodist, so lately in church fellowship with his Northern brother, to meet him in mortal combat. But, what else could he do? His home was to be invaded, his property was to be confiscated, and he, as a citizen, to be humiliated. True to his manhood and to his rights as a citizen and a Christian, he could but obey the voice of State sovereignty, which commanded him to go out and stand for his country, side by side with men of other creeds and churches. And he went. The clergyman went as well as the lay brother. A great host went, who either laid down their lives or returned in honorable poverty to homes that had been devastated by the rude hand of war.

During the war the church was not forgetful nor neglectful of her duty; Conferences met and preachers were sent, and the Gospel was preached as regularly and as extensively as possi-

ble. But conditions were greatly changed. The men able to bear arms were all gone to the front. The old men, the women and the children constituted the congregations, at most country churches, and there were, at every service, the unmistakable evidences of sadness that spake louder than words could have done of anxieties and sorrows that were harder to be borne than the labors and toils to which those left at home had been accustomed in other days. But the church as well as the home had to be taken care of, and those left at home performed their church duties with a cheerfulness and a faithfulness that gave inspiration and zeal to the circuit rider whose meager salary did not enable him to have a new Conference suit, not even of home-made jeans. When he saw how the wives, mothers, and sisters were sacrificing for the country's cause, and how cheerfully and patiently the old men bore the burdens of their new conditions, the preacher could not but feel that he was honored in being the minister to such as they were, pay or no pay.

The preacher got a salary—a high sounding salary at that—but Confederate money would not buy much, and, had it not been for the donations which the people made, by way of supplementing that salary, the man of God must have suffered. Preachers were not at all fastidious about accepting gifts. If anything had a market value they did not hesitate to accept it. A dry raw-hide was to them just the same as money; for although it did not look so well tied up behind a preacher's buggy, it had a value that represented several pounds of sugar and coffee, and that fact reconciled him to the position of a dealer in raw-hides. Sorghum was rather an inconvenient article to handle, inasmuch as it was liable to foam over the top of the jug and smear the preacher's pants, and in summer time to gather a whole host of flies; yet no preacher objected to sorghum, because in those days sugar was hard to get and preachers' children as well as other people's, were fond of something sweet, and of course the coffee made of parched wheat, rye, corn, or even potato peelings, tasted better for having a little sorghum in it.

During the war the good women spun and wove nearly all the clothing, and they depended largely on the preacher to

procure cards and spun cotton; so it was no uncommon thing to see a buggy, as the circuit rider was going to his appointments, loaded up, filled with spun cotton and cards which the good sisters on the circuit asked him to bring from town "on the next round." In consideration of such kindness, the preacher was more than remunerated, for when he was making his return trip he was often hailed and forced by the good-hearted women to take on board such things as hams, eggs, lard, butter, flour, and even poultry; and, be it said to the gallantry of the preachers, I never heard of a single one who ever murmured against carrying the home-bound load, even though its weight pressed the buggy springs together.

I could not undertake to speak of the work of special preachers, nor of the work done on special districts, stations or circuits, for that would make my article too long, but I would be unjust to history did I not bear testimony to the self-sacrificing, patriotic spirit that characterized the Methodist preacher during the war. He not only tried to do his whole duty as the shepherd of his own flock, but, seemingly, he acted as if his mission, as a man of God, made him responsible for the well-being of all the people with whom he came in contact, or among whom he sojourned. He was known to be in sympathy, heart and soul, with the men on the tented field, and in his prayers around the family altars, as well as in the churches, he pleaded with God for the safe return of the loved ones who were fighting for home and country. It was indeed a benediction in the homes, from which loved ones had gone, to have the Methodist preacher come, and, gathering the old father, the mother and the children around the family altar, to read, sing, and pray. It inspired a renewed trust in God and reconciled almost despairing hearts to the hardships and deprivations of the war life.

I have often thought, remembering how closely we were all drawn together in those dark days, that, perhaps, after all, the war was a blessing in disguise; if not a blessing, it taught us the much-needed lesson that we would be happier and better if the Pauline injunction, "Bear ye one another's burdens," could always be remembered.

Methodism was a mighty force during the war, not only at

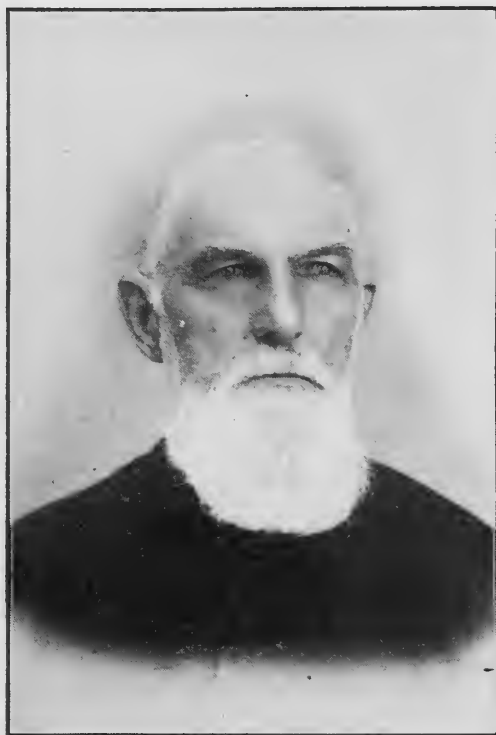
home and in the army among the whites, but also among the negroes; for it will be remembered that they were as well supplied with Gospel teaching and preaching as were the whites—some of the best white preachers being sent to minister unto them; and it is but reasonable to suppose that their good conduct during the war was, in a large measure, the result of Methodist instruction. Were it necessary, I could give instances that would greatly strengthen that supposition.

I need not speak of the part that Methodism bore in the army; how the circuit rider went from camp to camp preaching the Gospel, calling sinners to repentance, encouraging and strengthening the weak and feeble-minded; how he hung about the battle field to give material as well as spiritual comfort to the wounded and dying. Suffice it to say, that at home on the circuit, in the army, on the march, in the camp mingling with the soldiers, on the battle field in the fury of the fight, or in the hospital among the wounded and dying, Methodism was represented and faithfully discharged its duty. Whether in the person of chaplain or soldier, it did not fail to show its allegiance to God, and home, and country, much less to preach that Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. In the life of Southern Methodism, if history shall write it fairly and truthfully, the reader will find no more inspiring pages than those which shall tell of its labors and achievements during the four years of the Civil War.

A TYPICAL ITINERANT.

BY DR. T. M. JORDAN.

Uncle Nathan, or "Uncle Hooker," as he was familiarly known in Conference and in many sections of the State where he had lived and preached, was born in Greene County on the 10th day of October, 1816. He died at his home in Kinston, Lenoir County, N. C., June 7, 1899, in the 83rd year of his age. He was reared upon a farm, and the manual labor there developed the powerful physique which in after years enabled him to accomplish what now appears almost incredible. He attended the schools in that time and was said to have learned



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easily and rapidly. During his young manhood he taught school, and is kindly remembered yet as a teacher by his pupils. Though of a large stature, and possessed of great physical strength, his nature was of that kindly disposition, that he was never disposed to oppress by might, but on more than one occasion he called into play his prowess in defense. Like Peter Cartwright, the pioneer Methodist of old, if in the discharge of his duty muscle served the cause better than brain, why he used his muscle. He joined the church in early life, and, later feeling called to the ministry, began to prepare himself for Conference connection. He joined the North Carolina Methodist Conference at Mocksville in 1840, having ridden there from his home upon horseback. At the time of his death he was the oldest preacher in the Conference and had been a member of the Conference for the greatest number of years of any one upon the roll.

His ancestors in his native county were the best people in that section of the State, and he was one of an even dozen of Methodist ministers directly traceable to the congregation of Rainbow Church, Greene County, the first sermon at that place being preached by a Methodist minister, who was stopping at the time with the grandfather of Uncle Nathan, Samuel Hooker. He served his first charge in 1841. This was Mattamuskeet Circuit, Hyde County, N. C. From February to October of that year his expense account was eighty-five dollars and twenty cents. Among the items purchased was an overcoat, a saddle, a pair of pants, all of which amounted to sixty-one dollars and twenty-five cents.

From then until 1888, when he was placed upon the superannuated list, he had been for nearly half a century in active service, though he was compelled at various times during his ministry to look for support for himself and those dependent upon him to other sources than his income from the church. He has been known to travel during those trying times on foot, after working upon his farm until Friday, a distance of twenty-one or more miles to serve his church, returning the following Monday to his home to take up again the duties devolving upon him there. Such faith, such devotion to duty in the Master's vineyard, is an inspiration even to think of, and what a sup-

port and blessed benediction it must have been to possess it, and to such an extent that neither distance, trials nor difficulties, "nor height nor depth, nor any other creature" was able to come between him and a service he so lovingly rendered his Lord. Such faith and resignation gave him a simple child-like appearance, but in his preaching there was such a strong and feeling exposition of the truths of the Scriptures that you beheld in him the strong spiritual man that he was, and you were forced into the conviction that he was indeed very close to the Saviour, and so much so, his hearers "took knowledge of him that he had been with Jesus."

His pastoral duties from the nature of conditions were often difficult, but were never neglected, and on occasions in visiting upon his charges he often found the members of his flock at their daily work. Here he met them as pastor and friend, and often had prayers with them in the open fields. It was duty anywhere, everywhere, with him. Nothing deterred him in the discharge of duty. I knew of him long before I ever had the pleasure of his acquaintance. In 1853 he served the churches on Hillsboro Circuit in Orange, my native county. This was before the writer was born; but the impression for good emanating from his personality was so profoundly impressed upon that people that they talked of him so frequently, and what he said and how he did, that I felt that I knew him long before I ever saw him, which was more than thirty years later. And he is still remembered there, for upon a recent visit to that section, and in talking to some of the old people I met, I find that a memory of him still lingers there as fresh and green as spring-time, though half a century's winters roll between. I have no doubt such is the case wherever he has been.

He was suited to the work that fell to his lot of whatever kind, for the reason that any work was a consecrated duty to him. What appeared to his friends as trials for him were no doubt accepted by him as a part of his duties, and were performed by him in the same cheerful spirit that apparently easier tasks were done.

In his latter days, although not actively engaged in the ministry, he did not neglect his duties and was constantly in his place at church and Sunday-school whenever his health per-

mitted. Though very feeble on Sunday before his death on the following Wednesday, he was at church at the evening service, and supporting himself upon the altar stood, and at the request of his pastor pronounced the benediction and dismissed the congregation.

To his children and to all mankind whose good fortune it was to come in contact with his life, as he lived it, he left a richer and more enduring legacy than could have been purchased with silver or gold.

REMINISCENCES OF THE ITINERANCY.

BY DR. JOHN F. FOARD.

Church history and tradition prove that the Piedmont and Yadkin Valley section of North Carolina was originally settled by descendants of the Church of England—the followers of John Calvin, Martin Luther, and the Primitive Baptist—and when the people nick-named Methodists came to it, they were thought to be intruders and could not succeed. But, such men as Jesse and Hezekiah Lee, Moses Brock, Peter Doub, and others of the Virginia Conference, and their equals of the country, came as vanguards or calvary scouts of that branch of the army of the King of kings, with their wardrobes and libraries carried in huge leather saddle-bags, traveling whole counties for charges preaching the Gospel of peace—"of free grace and never dying love"—in free churches, schools and private houses, at camp-meeting under brush arbors, praying in families regardless of persecution, roadless forests, swollen streams and inclement weather on half-pay, and put to flight all opposition. By the providence of God the writer was left an orphan in childhood in the "Forks of the Yadkin," then Rowan County, in 1833, and living with friends in different communities, had opportunities of seeing and hearing those early pioneer preachers. The first place of worship in that section was a free church called Jerusalem, six miles below where the town of Mocksville now stands; the Methodists preached there, and on occasion of a quarterly or protracted meeting, "love feast" was appointed for Sunday morning and notice given of closed doors

at a stated hour. Though everybody was invited, none would be admitted that were tardy. The nearest neighbor who usually kept the key came too late for admittance, became angry, and refused the use of the house thereafter. In self-defence the Methodists built a house near-by of their own and called it Liberty, where they could do as they pleased, and soon determined to hold a camp-meeting, John W. Childs, of sainted memory, in charge. He, on one occasion, had given liberally to a missionary collection, after which the idea came to his mind that he had given too much; unable to get clear of it and believing it to be a temptation of Satan, he told him unless it was removed he would give all he had, when there was no more of it. That camp-meeting was the means of about one hundred conversions. The appointment of George W. Farabee to the Rowan Circuit in 1851 was made. He was my teacher years before. He asked if I were a professor of religion, and a negative reply being given, he replied, "I hope you will before the close of the year." His faithful labors, and the long and pointed sermons of Dr. William Carter (an ex-physician), convinced the young worldling that religion was no burden, and he soon gave his life and energies to Christ. On attending the Annual Conference that fall at Salisbury he met some of those giants. Money was to be raised to send James Fulton to California as a missionary. Bishop Andrew, Rev. C. F. Deems and Samuel Bryant were the speakers. They electrified the audience. Rev. William Barringer, as was his custom at his missionary meetings as Presiding Elder, started the twenty-dollar proposition, others took it up (one an Episcopalian), and at the close of the different propositions, Dr. Deems said, "Send round collectors to gather up the fragments that nothing be lost." Nine hundred dollars were given. After the Civil War, Dr. Deems went to New York to publish his paper, "The Watchman." In a conversation with friends as to the great number of Southern people in the city who were not attending church, Mrs. Barringer said: "If you do not preach to us we all will go to hell"—the same words that Barbara Heck used to Capt. Webb during the Revolutionary War that resulted in starting Methodism in New York. Dr. Deems hired a hall and began to preach to "strangers," which resulted in the gift of a

church and the Vanderbilt University. For various reasons the early Methodist preachers formed the habit of preaching long sermons; and William Closs, being one of the giants, was preaching one of his on a cold day in Snow Creek Academy by a log fire, when his wife pulled out her watch, looked at it, and returned it; in a few minutes she did the same thing, and later repeated it again, and turned the face of it to her husband, when he said, "I know I am preaching at some length, but while I talk sense you can afford to listen to me."

Rev. Peter Doub was a very strong doctrinal preacher. It was said of him, while a member of the Virginia Conference, his Presiding Elder (later Bishop Early) had him to preach to a large assembly, but requested that he "keep in the main channel and not go up the branches after little fish." After preaching very acceptably for awhile, he looked at his Presiding Elder and said, "There are some good fish in those branches." "Never mind them, Peter; keep straight on," was the reply. His long and powerful sermon convinced his large congregation of his great ability and the doctrines he advocated to be true. In 1853 he was elected Grand Worthy Patriarch of the Sons of Temperance in North Carolina, and they employed him to canvass the State from Currituck to Cherokee for prohibition.

Henry Durant, a boy preacher of the South Carolina Conference, was sent as second man to the Anson Circuit about 1842. From his eloquent and zealous preaching a revival started that swept over that and adjoining counties. It was said of him while pleading for sinners some "toughs" were making fun in the rear end of the church. He paused and said: "If you will come and stand on that seam in the floor you will be converted in ten minutes." The banter was accepted by the leader, who went forward tauntingly, and he soon fell to the floor crying for mercy and was converted. He was carried by his Presiding Elder, David Denick, to a camp-meeting near Concord, where his eloquent appeals and consecrated life caused the revival fires to break out in that strong-hold of Presbyterians and Lutherans in a manner unknown to them, which continued and spread over that section until hundreds were converted, many of whom had not attended the meeting, which lasted only one

week, and followed soon after a dancing school had been conducted in the town: one of the dancers, a young merchant of influence, was late going to the hotel for his supper on one of the evenings of the meeting; the pious and intelligent servant woman was questioned by him as to the progress of the meeting, and after telling him what wonderful times they were having, she advised him to go and obtain religion. He arose from the table and said, "Yes," and began making steps of a cotillion in a ball-room, laughed, and passed out. In a few hours he was at the altar as a mourner and was converted, joined the church, began studying for the ministry, sold his stock of goods, joined the South Carolina Conference and became a most useful preacher and Presiding Elder. That was William Barringer. The owner of that hotel had not been to the meetings, but was taken with fever, and his thoughts centered on the revival. On his recovery his wife went to visit her parents in the country, and during the still hours of the night he was praying, arose and called up another pious and faithful servant of his family, and on his entering the room, said: "Abram, I am troubled about my soul; I want you to pray for me." They knelt alone while others slept, and wrestled with God until salvation was obtained, when Uncle Abram and his master rejoiced together for the great blessing. The wife returned and was also converted; and many others later. Some had not seen the remarkable preacher, and all the different churches near by received members from that wonderful revival, which spread from one camp-meeting to another in several counties, the good fruits of which are felt and seen to the present day, though most of the converts have been called home.

THE HUMOROUS SIDE OF THE ITINERANCY.

BY M. O. SHERRILL.

After the Civil War, District Conferences were established; and the first I attended, the subject of continuing to have week-day appointments for preaching was up for discussion, and many arguments were made in favor of discontinuing such appointments. Father Haltom made a speech in favor of week-

day appointments. Said he: "The greatest revival I ever had in my life had its beginning in a week-day appointment. I had a meeting at church, and my congregation consisted of one lady who had her baby with her; I began the service in the usual way; we both sang. I began my sermon, the child became restless, and finally began to cry, and the good sister, to prevent the child from disturbing the congregation, took the baby out also; but I preached away as best I could, and about that time two of my stewards were passing by returning from a blacksmith shop, saw my old gray horse hitched near the church, heard me preaching away, and could see no one in there, so they concluded to investigate, and stopped and went in, and they were so impressed with my zeal and effort that they were greatly moved, and we agreed to protract, and the result was a great and glorious revival of religion."

Rev. Peter L. Herman was full of good humor; he used to relate a case where imagination dominated the mind. A Mr. Jones was a pronounced hypochondriac, and claimed that his stomach was all gashed up as if by pieces of glass. He annoyed the physicians a great deal; so finally Dr. B. made up his mind to relieve Mr. Jones; so he informed him that he was going to take out his stomach and replace it with a sheep's stomach, and Jones very readily consented. The Doctor had a mutton killed; he brought the stomach and administered chloroform to Jones, lanced and stitched his stomach, applying the blood from the sheep; had the sheep's stomach placed near by hacked to pieces, just about as Mr. Jones had so often described his, and when Jones was restored, the Doctor said: "Mr. Jones, there is your stomach." "Oh! yes, doctor, I have told you doctors the condition of my stomach, but you said I was crazy, now you see who is crazy." A week or two later the Doctor met his patient, and said: "Well, Mr. Jones, how are you getting on now?" "Fine, fine, doctor; only have one trouble; it seems to me that I have a great hankering after grass."

Brother Herman said he stopped at a place once where the family had a pet hog that roamed about in the house just as the cats are allowed to do, and he said when they were ready to have prayers, while he was reading the Scripture lesson, in comes Mr. Hog, and seemed to recognize Brother Herman to

be a stranger or trespasser, and he bowed his back and moved toward the preacher; the preacher leaped on top of the table, and the family tried to persuade the preacher to go on with the service, that the pig would do him no harm, but Brother Herman declared that "the hog or he one must go out; if the hog remained he would go, and that, too, without regard to the order of his going."

A friend was discussing the eternal decrees of God with Brother Herman, and during the discussion Brother Herman caught a large horse-fly, and he bent his head over until it appeared to be separated from the body, and he said to his friend: "Now, brother, do you really believe the great God from all eternity fore-ordained and decreed that I, P. L. Herman, of North Carolina, U. S. A., should pull off the head of this fly?" "Yes, I do," said his friend. "Well," says Peter, "I will not do it;" and he cast the fly up in the air and away it flew.

On one occasion when Bro. Herman and I were returning from a meeting of the Trustees of Davenport Female College (before the railroad had been built to that town), when about ten miles this side of Lenoir, Bro. Herman halted his horse, and in a very serious and dignified way, said: "Here, hold my horse, if you please." I said: "What's the matter?" He replied: "I thought I would take the rag off the bush." There was a rag hanging on a bush near the road. He broke out laughing at my surprise and disgust. He said: "I had an opportunity to verify the old saying, 'Take the rag off the bush,' and now I have done so."

I presume that there are more humorous incidents in the life of the late Rev. Geo. W. Ivey than in that of any other preacher, not excepting the venerable Dr. Closs.

On the Lenoir Circuit (Caldwell County) he had an old friend on the work who would shout at almost every service, and his was not an ordinary kind of rejoicing or shouting, but he made a very peculiar noise, different from any one else. So when Brother Ivey was holding camp-meeting, he invited Bishop D. S. Doggett to come over from Morganton and preach for him. For fear his friend Lutz might disturb the Bishop, he took him to one side and said: "Now, Brother Lutz, you

know when I try to preach you can shout as much as you please, but Bishop Doggett, not being used to your way of doing, might be embarrassed; so now, brother, just try and hold in if you possibly can." Brother Ivey said: "I sat in the pulpit while the Bishop was preaching. I could see my friend Lutz, and he soon became excited, and was twisting as if in agony, and after awhile when the Bishop became eloquent, Brother Lutz could not stand the pressure any longer, but to comply with my request, he could not remain, so he started from the arbor, and about the time he struck the first line of tents, he broke loose at the top of his voice; his yelling brought all the dogs on the grounds, they joined in as if in a fox chase, and away they went, man and dogs, making the woods ring, but too far away to disturb the congregation." Father Ivey sat with self-possession and proper dignity while this ridiculous scene was being enacted, the only person in that vast audience who was cognizant of the situation. While on this circuit, Brother Ivey preached on Sunday in the south end of Caldwell County, and on Monday, as he was returning to Lenoir, some people were having a protracted meeting near the road he was passing, so he concluded to stop and see how the meeting was progressing, and he said: "Solomon said there was nothing new under the sun, but I feel sure he was mistaken, for I saw a thing at this meeting that I feel pretty sure Solomon never saw. There were a number of penitents at the altar, and the people were singing out of note books, singing the notes, the do, ra, me, fa, so, la's, and not the words, and I feel sure that was a new thing under the sun."

On one occasion Brother Ivey was looking at a milch cow, with a view of purchasing her, and when he had scrutinized the cow closely, he said: "Well, brother, your cow must give very cool milk?" "Why so, Mr. Ivey?" "Well, it is so far out of sight, only a small part of the udder can be seen."

On another occasion a gentleman was trying to sell Brother Ivey a milch cow, and the preacher was favorably impressed with the cow, but the owner said too much. He finally said: "Brother Ivey, if you will feed this cow well she will give you six gallons of milk a day." "Well, well, brother, that is more

milk than I can make use of; let some one have her who needs such a quantity of milk." There was no sale.

The Rev. Mr. Sheets died, and his widow knew nothing whatever about taking care of the cow, and it was not long until the cow was down, for want of food and proper attention; so Mrs. Sheets called Brother Ivey over to see what he thought ought to be done for the sick cow. "Brother Ivey, what do you think ought to be done for the cow?" "Well, Sister Sheets, I think she needs a little meal." A wise reply. A veterinary surgeon could not have given a better prescription for a cow sick for want of food.

On one occasion Brother Ivey stopped all night with a brother; it was in the spring of the year, and when the family gathered for the morning prayer, the door being opened just as Brother Ivey began praying, a "bench-legged fice" jumped upon the chair on which the preacher had been sitting, and with his nose in a few inches of Brother Ivey's face, began to bark, and kept it up. His barking brought in two large cur dogs, and they began, "Bow, wow, bow wow." Brother Ivey said he was in a quandary, for he did not want to let the devil cheat him out of the prayer service; so he reached up and grabbed the fice by his "goozel" and gave it a twist and shut off his wind so he could not bark, and when he quit the big curs ceased and went out. "I held on to the little fice dog until I got through praying, and when I turned him loose he left in a hurry, and I feel sure he would not come back to family prayers again." That was praying under great difficulty.

I have heard a very few good incidents in the life of our friend and brother, Dr. A. D. Betts. Those who know Brother Betts know that he seldom talks to any one very long at a time without making inquiry as to his soul. "How is it with your soul; are you ready to go if called, or are you ready to die, brother." On one occasion the good brother made a mistake in his preliminary remarks, or in the way he introduced the subject. He was driving along one day in his buggy and overtook a traveling salesman who carried his goods in a pack on his back; and Brother Betts, filled with the milk of human kindness, halted and said: "My brother, put your pack here on my buggy and get right in and ride with me." The stranger

did so, and before many words passed, Brother Betts looked the man in the eye with a smile on his face, and said: "Are you ready to die?" The poor man was scared nearly to death; he thought the man had gotten him in the buggy to kill and rob him; he sprang from the buggy and made for the woods, leaving the preacher in charge of his pack. Brother Betts drove on to a store and explained to the merchant how the poor fellow had misunderstood him and left his pack; and the man who had fled finally came back to see what had become of his goods and recovered them. Now, I will not vouch for this incident in the life of Brother Betts, because I have not had a chance to get him to verify it; but the other incidents given as to Brothers Haltom, Herman and Ivey, I had them from the parties.

METHODISM.

The fruits of that form of Christian faith and effort, known as Methodism, now waves in rich and golden harvests before the eyes of the civilized world.

The progress of Methodism is the most remarkable religious fact in the history of North Carolina and of the United States, which the first century of our national existence has developed.

In 1776 there were in North Carolina three Methodist preachers and six hundred and eighty-three members.

The Baptists, Presbyterians and Protestant Episcopalians were all in North Carolina long before the Methodists. The Baptist are perhaps nearly equal in numbers in North Carolina with the Methodists. The Presbyterians do not number 40,000. The Episcopalians number about 10,000.

In 1776 there were in the United States twenty-one Methodist preachers and four thousand nine hundred and twenty-one members.

The Baptists had the start of the Methodists in the United States about one hundred and twenty-five years. Presbyterians had the start of the Methodists in the United States about sixty years.

The Protestant Episcopalians, as the "Established Church," were here before either of the denominations above-named, under legal protection and patronage.

The Methodists out-number the Baptists in the United States more than one million. They out-number the Presbyterians more than two millions, and they out-number the Episcopalians more than ten to one.

Many of those who have been converted through Methodist instrumentality have found their way into other branches of the church of God. How many, we have no means of knowing, but the number is large. While this is true, we thank God that many of these Methodist converts, who have found a home in other communions, have carried with them the experience and power of vital piety, and are laboring and praying for the success and triumph of evangelical Christianity. This fact may, in a measure, account for the growing spirit of Christian fraternity and good will, which these churches manifest towards the Methodists.

The census of United States for 1870 presents the following facts, viz.: All denominations in the United States, taken together, have seventy-two thousand four hundred and fifty-nine organizations, sixty-three thousand six hundred and eighty-two church edifices, which contain twenty-one million six hundred and sixty-five thousand and sixty-two sittings, and three hundred and fifty-four million four hundred and eighty-three thousand five hundred and eighty-one dollars' worth of property.

The success of Methodism has been wonderful. The grand secret of the success of Methodism is to be found.

(1) In its doctrinal system.

(2) In its spiritual life manifested in the happy Christian experience of its ministers and members.

(3) In its methods of operation, which have grown out of its spiritual life.

The doctrines of Methodism are true. Every one of them has been inspired by the Holy Ghost, and clearly revealed in the Scriptures. The spiritual life of Methodism is the exemplification of its doctrines in the lives of its ministers and members, as these have been applied and attested to human consciousness by the Holy Ghost, demonstrating the power of Christ to "save unto the uttermost" all who come to God by Him. And the methods of its operations are the outgrowths of its spiritual life, which, under the constraining power of

divine love, labors to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

As an ecclesiastical, aggressive organism, Methodism has no equal. It is grand in unity, sublime in the harmonious operation of the various parts of its machinery, and glorious in its efficiency. How wonderful that all the ministers and members of itinerant Episcopal Methodism, in every department of Christian labor, with its ten thousand seemingly conflicting interests, should be one in heart and effort, all toiling for the achievement of one grand purpose—the salvation of human souls! The salvation of souls is the one grand design of all the operations of Methodism, and the only reason for the existence of ecclesiastical organization. This is the reason for the existence of the visible church. Every organization, calling itself a church, which fails to recognize this true object of its existence is condemned already. Every such organization, which subordinates the paramount work of saving souls to anything else unchurches itself and falls from grace. If, therefore, the saving of souls be the one grand paramount object of ecclesiastical organization and effort, that organization which is most successful in saving souls, is the best and the wisest. The degree of such will be in proportion to the wisdom and efficiency of the methods and the machinery operated. That such organization will be most successful which has the purest and most perfectly Scriptural system of doctrine, which develops out of this doctrinal system the most exalted Christian life and experience, and which, by its methods of operation, brings its doctrines, and the moral and doctrinal system the most exalted Christian life and experience, and which, by its methods of operation, brings its doctrines, and the moral and spiritual life produced by them to bear, with the greatest aggressive force upon the world is most eminently true.

The history and success of Methodism demonstrates the correctness of the view thus briefly set forth:

"See how great a flame aspires,
Kindled by a spark of grace!
Jesus' love, the nations fires,
Sets the kingdoms in a blaze."

Shall the fire burn on until the world shall be illumined with millennial glory, and Christ shall come to "claim the heathen for His inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for His possssion?" If so, Methodism must gird itself for still grander achievements.

May God keep us one in doctrine, one in experience, and one in effort to save souls! For then, may we hope, before another hundred years have passed, the banner of Methodism will wave round the world, and her glad shout blend with the harmonies of Heaven.—Dr. L. S. Burkhead, in "Centennial of North Carolina Methodism."

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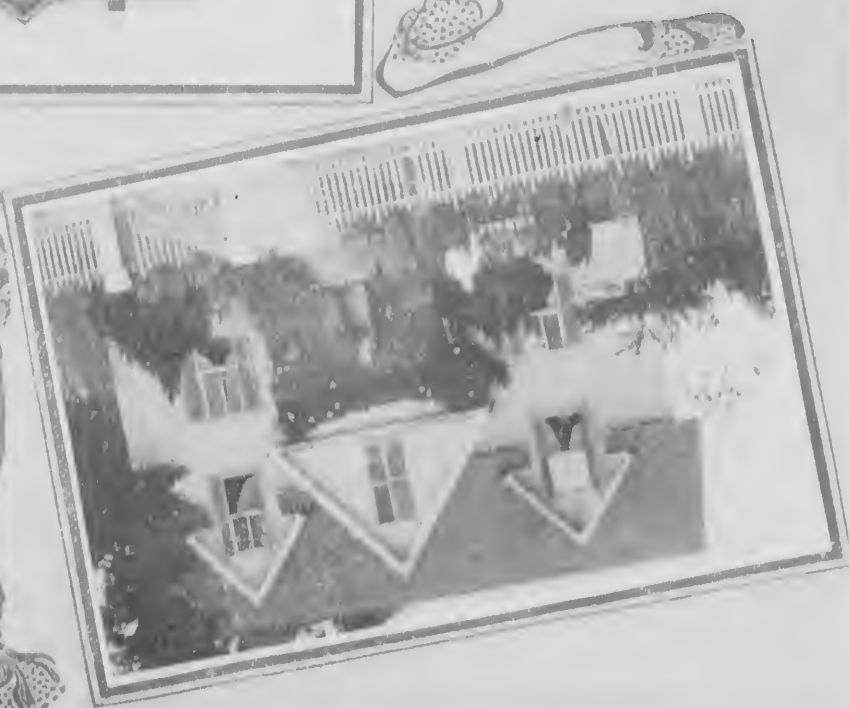
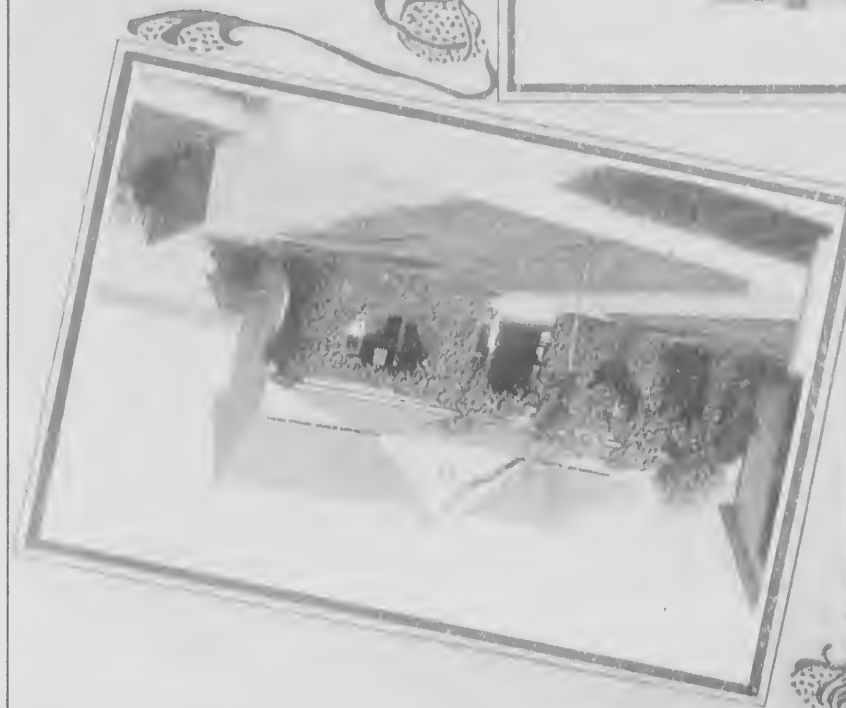
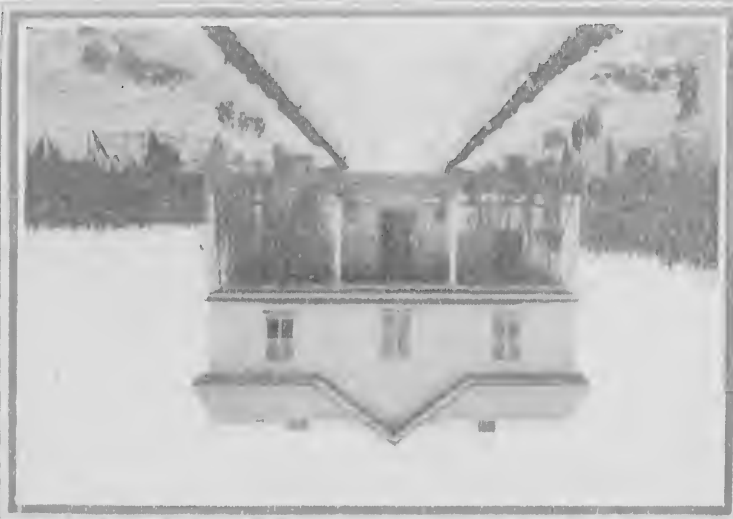
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Number Districts, 20.
Number schools, 8.
Value of schools, \$818,779.54.
Endowment, \$440,339.28.
Orphanages, 1.
Value Orphanage, \$50,000.00.
Paid for Ministerial Support, \$249,538.03.
Paid for Foreign Missions, \$47,356.01, including Woman's Societies.
Paid for Domestic Missions, \$27,271.29, including Woman's Societies.
Paid for Church Extension, \$10,146.25.
Total paid for missions, \$84,773.46, including Church Extension.
Total paid for all purposes, \$671,106.80.
Spent on churches and parsonages, \$205,425.10.
Total valuation of church property, \$4,038,897.59.
Travelling preachers, 409.
Local preachers, 264.
Total membership, 151,102.
Number of Sunday-school scholars, 108,927.
Number Epworth Leagues, 93.
Number Epworth League members, 5,740.
Amount paid by Sunday-schools, Epworth Leagues, and Woman's Societies, \$63,637.23.

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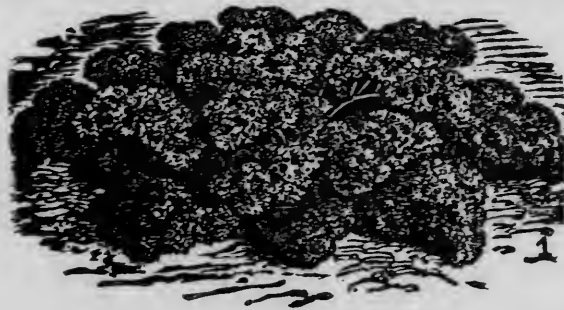
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The following committee passed upon the original photographs: the editor of *The Progressive Farmer*, the art teacher in Peace Institute, the art teacher in the Baptist University for Women, and the art teacher in St. Mary's—none of them members of the Methodist Church, and none of them knowing the location of the parsonages passed upon.

This committee made the following awards: First prize, High Point parsonage, Mrs. G. F. Kirby; second prize, Thomasville parsonage, Mrs. C. M. Campbell; third prize, Rich Square Circuit parsonage, Mrs. B. C. Thompson.

It was our intention to give a full page to each prize-winning parsonage, but found it better to group the three winners on one page.

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Associate Reformed	1,952
Baptist	184,333
Christian	7,880
Disciples	15,340
Dunkards	540
Protestant Episcopal	12,454
Evangelical Lutheran	9,000
Friends	6,000
Free Will Baptist	23,000
Hebrews	462
Latter Day Saints.....	120
M. E. Church, South.....	151,303
M. E. Church	11,000
Wesleyan Methodists	125
Methodist Protestant	17,350
Moravian	5,495
Old Two Seed	160
Presbyterian	37,358
Primitive Baptist	20,000
Reformed Church	5,930
Roman Catholic	4,362
Seventh Day Advent	25
Salvation Army	50
Waldenses	290

The above figures, with the exception of those for the Baptist and the Methodist Church, are for 1904. The figures of the churches excepted are for 1905.

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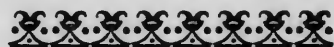
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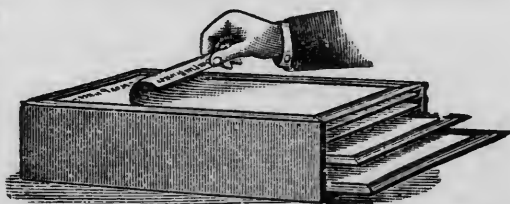


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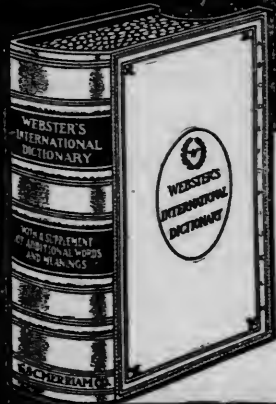
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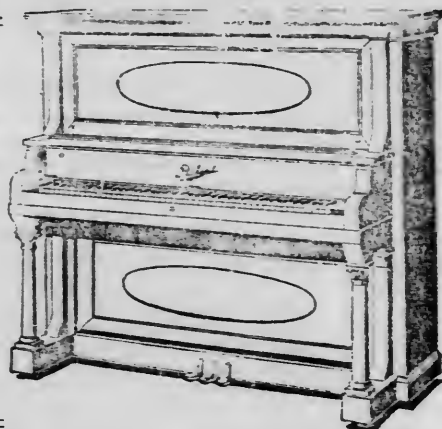
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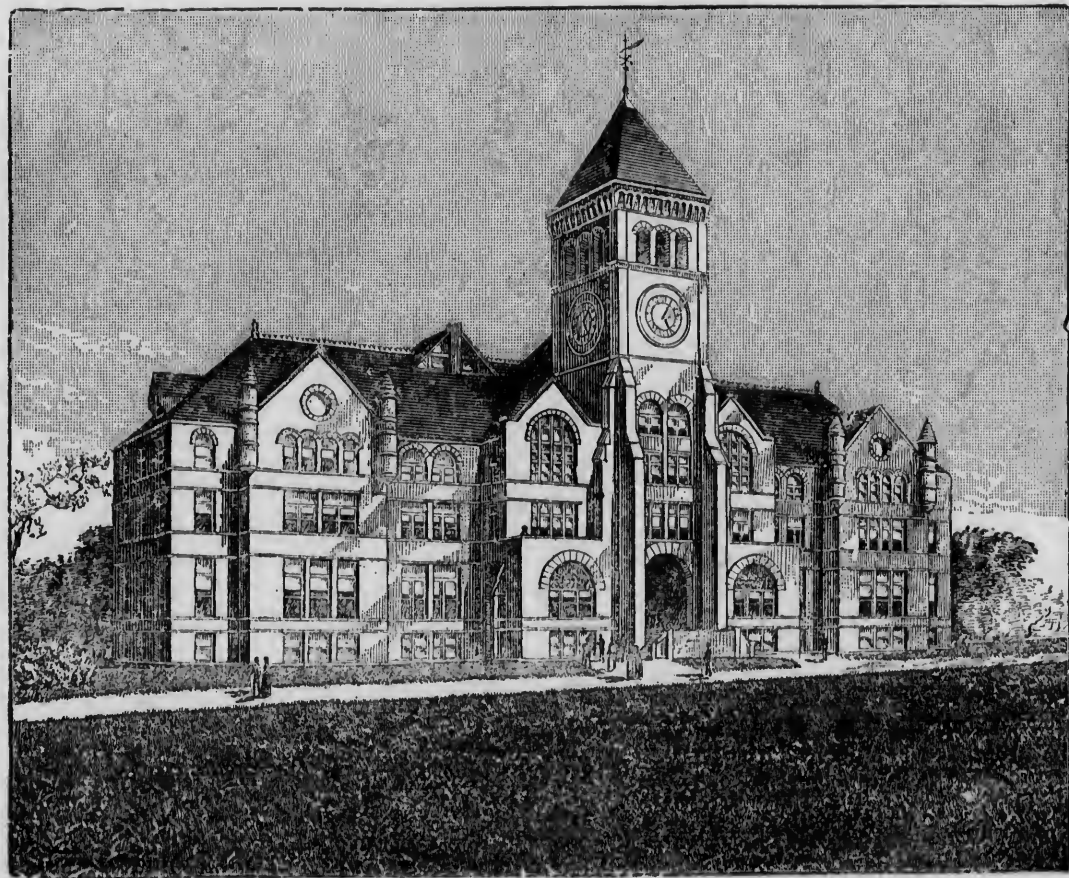
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ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.

Not only in our own country, but in other lands, the good St. Valentine and Cupid have always been on intimate terms of relationship. In the last century on the eve of St. Valentine's day the young folks in England and Scotland celebrated the festival with this in view. An equal number of maids and bachelors came together, and each wrote his or her name on a separate billet, which was rolled up and placed in a box. Then the maids drew by lot from the bachelors' names and the latter from the names of the maids. After this the valentines, as the chosen ones were called, gave parties to their friends, each valentine wearing the billet on his or her sleeve for several days. This little sport often ended in an engagement or marriage.

CANDLEMAS DAY.

Known to church people as Candlemas Day, February 2nd is known better to the world at large as "ground-hog day," famous for its weather prognostications. A fine Candlemas does predict a succession of foul ones, while a stormy or cloudy candlemas promises an early and brights pring, with summer to match.

We probably owe our little superstition about the ground-hog on this day to our early German settlers, they, no doubt, having brought it over with them from the Fatherland. An old proverbial expression in German has it that "the badger peeps out of his hole on Candlemas Day, and when he finds snow walks abroad; if he sees the sun shining he draws back into his hole." As the badger is comparatively unknown with us east of the Mississippi, the mantle fell upon the woodchuck, or ground-hog. Farmers of the Middle States call this day "ground-hog day" almost exclusively. They watch to see if Mr. Ground-Hog can see his shadow—that is, if the sun is shining—Candlemas Day, when he is said to emerge from his hibernating slumbers, and believe that if he does six weeks

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ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS.

The precise date of the institution of the Christmas festival is involved in obscurity. The origin of Christmas as a religious feast is ascribed to the decretal letters addressed to Pope Telesphorus, who died A. D. 138. It was first the movable of Christian festivals, and was confounded with the Epiphany and celebrated by the Eastern churches in the months of April and May. Under the Pontificate of Pope Julius I., 337-352, St. Cyril of Jerusalem urged the importance of making Christmas an immovable festival, and obtained an order from the Pope to make a proper investigation for the purpose of determining the exact date. A conference held between the churches of the East and West resulted in the adoption of the twenty-fifth of December. Gibbon says the festival of Christmas was placed at the winter solstice, with the view of transforming the Pagan Saturnalia into a Christmas festival. It is curious to note that at the present day many of the customs which are observed at Christmas are of Pagan origin, as described by Martial and other Roman authors. The Christmas tree is another example of the power and influence of Christianity to transform Pagan rites and ceremonies. The Christmas tree, which is of German origin, is simply the symbol of the tree Isdragil, or tree of life, which figured so conspicuously in Scandinavian mythology. No festival of the Christian church surpasses Christmas in the exemplification of the power and influence of religion. Wherever the Christian may be when this day arrives his heart is moved with that common impulse of joy, peace and good will which the season invokes. The old recall the days of youth, the young are absorbed in the present, the distant wanderer revives kind thoughts of home, and tender recollections serve to render absent friends more dear, and that one touch of nature which makes the whole world kin exhibits its best influence.



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FOGS.

Fogs are caused by a chilling of the air until the vapor contained therein is condensed into visible particles, but not sufficiently large to form raindrops. Every particle of fog and every raindrop has a nucleus, a microscopic speck of dust around which the moisture condenses. The chilling of the air may occur in several different ways. The most common is by contact with the ground which has been cooled by radiation at night. The air next the ground becomes chilled and filled with mist. This chilled air being heavier than the surrounding air on account of being cooler and denser, slides down the hillsides into the lowest places, where the fog accumulates and increases in density and depth. These fogs are known as valley fogs, and are the most common fogs over land surfaces. Usually there is water at the bottom of each valley, and evaporation from this water helps increase the density of the fog. These fogs are a great protection to vegetation, acting like a blanket to prevent further cooling by radiation, so that the valleys are frequently saved from destructive frosts in summer or early autumn. These are night fogs, and usually disappear soon after sunrise.

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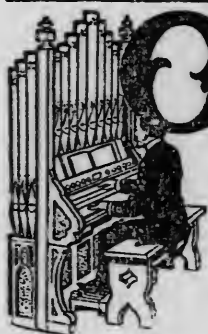
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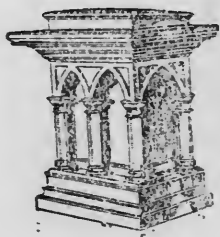
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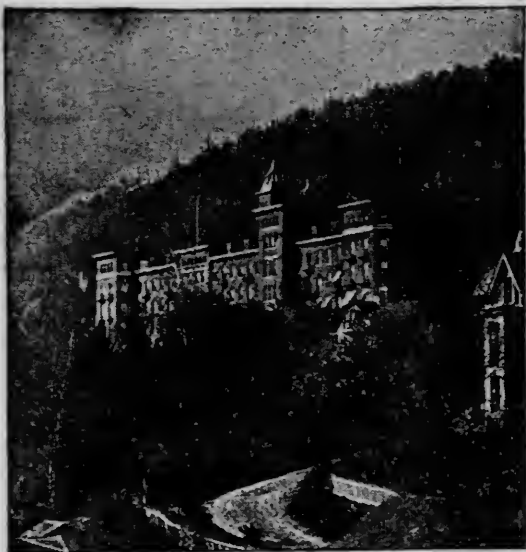
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Missouri	3,106,665
Montana	243,329
Nebraska	1,068,539
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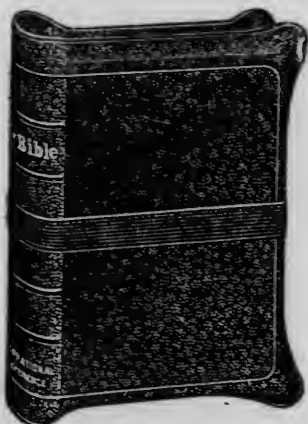
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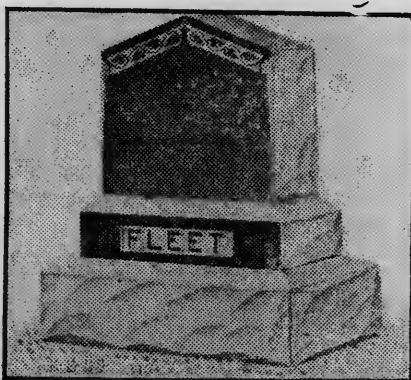
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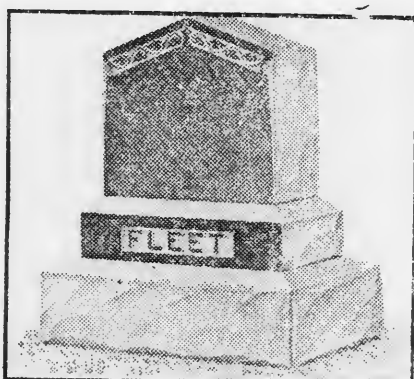
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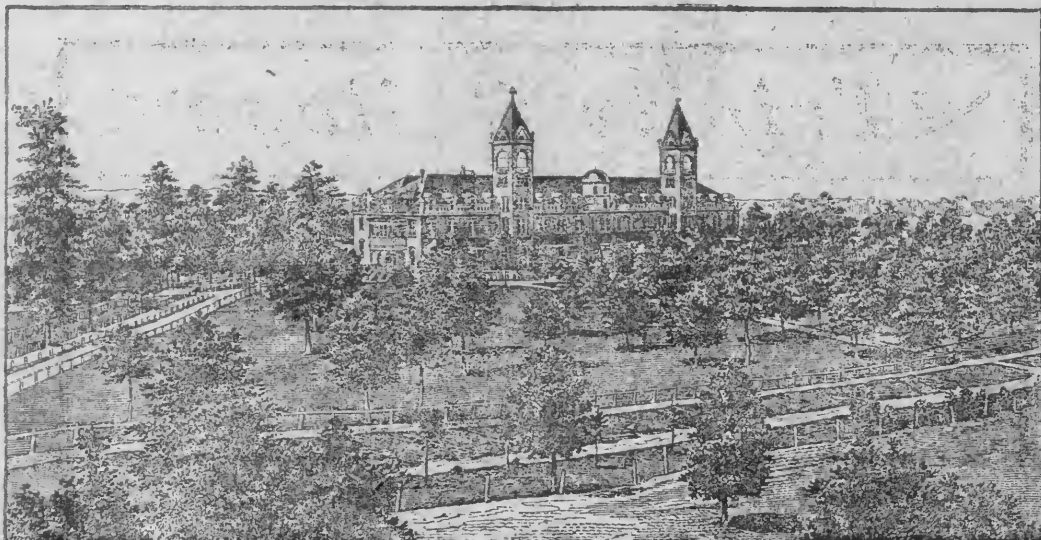
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